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FOR MANSLAUGHTER

The Hearing on the Conroy Shooting Fatality.

Before Judge Hadley in Court This Morning—Details of the Sad Affair Told by Witnesses—Dr. Meigs Displays the Bullet Found in the Man's Head—Mrs. Blennerhassett Held for Grand Jury.

The preliminary hearing in the case of Mrs. Lettia Blennerhassot of North Billerica charged with manslaughter in causing the death of Arthur Conroy by shooting him was held in the police court this morning after the regular session.

Mrs. Blennerhasset was in court early accompanied by her father, James Adams, her brother, Thomas G. Adams, and her counsel Walter S. Leighton, Esq. She was neatly attired and was perfectly composed.

The government witnesses sworn were Dr. J. V. Meigs, Constable Martin Conway Jr., of Billerica, Photographer Westcott, James Adams, father of the defendant, Lawrence Cummings and several others.

The first witness called was Dr. Meigs who as associate medical examiner viewed the remains, testified to the nature of the wound which caused Conroy's death produced the fatal bullet extracted from the victim's head and described the appearance of the body.

"The pistol shot which caused the wound," he continued, "must have been in close contact to the window for the gauze curtain in the window was scorched.

Cross-examined by Lawyer Leighton he described the bullet hole in the window and reiterated his statement to the effect that the pistol was placed in close contact to the glass.

Officer Martin Conway, Jr., testified: "Upon hearing of the case I went to the house and found Conroy lying on the piazza with his feet almost on the threshold and his head on the step. Mrs. Blenerhasset told me that she was waked up about 11.30 or 12 o'clock by some one trying to get in. She heard voices and thought two or three men were there.

"She said she heard them say the bolt was easy and she got her pistol and went into the sitting room and fired two shots through the door. The noises continued," she said, "and then she went out in the entry and fired one shot and heard a body fall. She said she thought she had stunned one of them.

Then she said she went back and put two more cartridges in her pistol and sat in the dark until morning. She said she was too frightened to call to them to go away and when I asked her she said she didn't go out front to see if she knew him. She said she went to her father's house at 6.30 and told him that she had shot someone and he went around and found the body.

"I then telephoned for the medical examiner. When I asked her about the time she said it was 1.30 o'clock when she woke up but later she told me that it might have been 11.30 o'clock. She told me that she had been bothered by tramps in the day time."

Constable Conway then illustrated his discriptions by means of several photographs.

On cross-examination he said: "When I went to the house I found Mrs. Blennerhasset and her father in the sitting room when the father hold who I was she told me the whole story. The house faces east and the sun would strike the front of the house first and might strike the glass in the front door. I think there was no frost on the front window.

"Mrs. Blennerhasset told me that she thought the intruders were in the entry and that was why she fired through the door. She said she thought she heard one of the men say the bolt was easy and she thought he was trying to hammer in the door.

"Conroy's position showed that he was opposite the door knob when he fell. He was about 5 feet 3 inches tall and the bullet hole in the glass was 4 feet, 85-100 inches above the piazza.

"I knew Conroy to be a man who drank considerable. He had a habit of getting drunk in Lowell and then going home. He talked to himself when drunk. He was never violent, and I never had any occasion to arrest him. He would always go home when I told him to."

At the close of the hearing Judge Hadley found probable cause and Mrs. Blennerhasset was held in $1500 for the Grand Jury.

(See Second Edition.)

BRISK BLAZE.

IN THE EAGLE BLOCK ON MIDDLESEX STREET.

A still alarm at 6.20 o'clock Saturday night called the fire apparatus to the Eagle block in Middlesex street where a brisk blaze caused by the dropping of a lighted lamp, was under way. The woman who occupied the room lost about $100 worth of furniture and clothing and the building was damaged about $20 or $25 it being necessary to rip the plastering from one of the partitions in order to get at the fire which had worked between the lathing.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Lively Meeting Yesterday Afternoon Favored Parade

BUT CHIEF MARSHAL NOT CHOSEN.

Meeting Again Postponed Till Next Sunday.

The adjourned meeting of the St. Patrick's day convention took place yesterday afternoon in the Mathew Temperance Institute hall for the purpose of making arrangements for a St. Patrick's day parade in accordance with the sentiment of a convention held two weeks ago at which it was decided, by vote, that a parade should be held. The convention yesterday afternoon was a very lively one and all the parliamentary ability of the chairman, John J. Mullaney, was necessary to control it. The convention adjourned until two o'clock next Sunday afternoon. Several motions had been made to adjourn during the session but were as often defeated. It was finally successfully made by Mr. James E. Greeley and seconded by Mr. Muldoon of the Mathews.

The Lowell Irish Benevolents did not have any delegates present. The societies represented were: A. O. H., five divisions, Mathew Temperance Institute, Burkes, Y. M. C. I. and the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church.

The question in regard to chief marshal was laid over until Sunday afternoon. There were two named for the office, Mr. McKinley of the Y. M. C. I., Belvidere, and Undertaker Chas. H. Molloy. The name of Officer John Hickson was not mentioned although a number of the delegates are his supporters.

The convention was called to order about 3 o'clock by Mr. Mullaney and in the absence of the secretary of the last convention, John J. Lynch, who arrived shortly after the convention opened, Mr. Joseph Murphy was appointed secretary pro tem. The records of the convention of two weeks ago were not read till the arrival of the secretary of that convention.

Mr. McDermott of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church said that the society had voted at their last meeting not to take any part in the convention or parade.

There were several remarks from A. O. H. delegates regarding the retirement of the Holy Name Society.

Daniel Shea of the A. O. H., said: "The A. O. H. is for a parade and the others ought to be. They must be either one thing or the other; they cannot be all the colors of the rainbow." Mr. Shea was ruled out of order just as he was warming to the question.

A committee of three was appointed to ascertain how many of the societies were represented at the convention and recess was taken until the return of the committee and the reading of their findings, the motion was made that the election of chief marshal be proceeded with. The motion was seconded but met with considerable opposition. Two or three of the societies, including the Mathews, said that they could not take any part in the election of a chief marshal because they did not know whether or not their societies would sanction their act. They deemed it advisable to have the election of chief marshal postponed until at least next Wednesday night and they would be ready at that time to tell how their societies stood on the matter. There was a motion made to this effect but it was not carried.

Mr. Daniel Shea was again heard from and he proceeded to discuss the parade. He was asked by the chair to confine himself to the question, and he replied that he was discussing the question.

The secretary had now arrived and the reports of the last convention were read and accepted. Some one then made a motion that the holding of the parade be reconsidered. The motion was seconded, but did not become a vote.

Mr. Gallagher thought that the motion to reconsider was a just one, for he was sure there was not the right interest manifested to make a success of a parade. He said there were 70 delegates present two weeks ago and only 60 at the present convention. Continuing, he said: "If there is to be a celebration it should be a good one. I do not think that the societies at present are in a position to stand the expense of a parade."

Mr. Sullivan did not think reconsideration was the proper way to get at it. He suggested that the delegates be called upon for the purpose of ascertaining what the societies had done and he hoped that the delegates would have manhood enough about them to stand by what they did at the last convention.

Mr. Horan of the A.O.H. wanted a little information as to how the convention was being governed, and he suggested that it be ruled by the conditions set forth in Cushing's manual. The chair, however, satisfied Mr. Horan that the convention was being conducted with all the formality set forth in that manual.

The chairman, Mr. Mullaney, left the chair for a few moments and was substituted by another member of the Mathews. Mr. Mullaney's desire to get on the floor was to straighten out a matter that appeared to be bothering the convention, and it was in regard to the last motion that had been made, that of reconsideration. Some of the delegates present appeared to think that it was the appointment of a chief marshal that the motion to reconsider affected. Mr. Mullaney made the point clear.

Mr. Shea was again heard from. He said that he had heard this cry of poverty before, but there was nothing in it. "It is lack of patriotism," said Mr. Shea. Some one offered a substitute motion that the question of parade be laid on the table until the first Sunday in January, 1900. The motion was seconded but not carried.

The motion to reconsider action on the parade question was made, then seconded and finally became a vote. The vote was taken by the uplifting of hands and the result was 29 to 23 in favor of reconsideration.

Mr. Shea moved, and the motion was seconded, that St. Patrick's day be celebrated by parade. This motion was made after the chair had explained that the convention was in the same position exactly as they were previous to the convention of two weeks ago, as far as the parade was concerned.

The vote was taken by the secretary calling the roll and the delegates answering thereto with the following result:

Irish Benevolents, none present.
Division 1, A. O. H., 1 for, none against.
Division 2, A. O. H., 2 for, 4 against.
Division 11, A. O. H., 7 for, none against.
Division 28, 4 for, 2 against.
Division 8, 7 for, none against.
Mathew, Temperance Institute, none for, 7 against.
Burkes, none for, 7 against.
Y. M. C. I., 7 for, none against.
Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church, none for, 7 against.
Total, 28 for, 27 against.

The vote was doubted and another vote resulted in an increase of one in favor of the parade.

Thomas Muldoon of the Mathews was not in favor of the parade on account of the financial condition of the societies, not that he wanted to antagonize, but if there was a parade the 17th of March the Mathews would not be slow in contributing.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I., said he was in favor of a parade if for nothing more than out of respect for the wishes of their fathers, whose fond desire it was to carry and wear the green in parade.

Mr. McDermott of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church, said, that personally he was in favor of a parade, but that he thought it would be very unjust of him to say anything in favor of the parade just now, as the sentiment of the delegates was too much divided.

After an exchange of motions and airing of opinions that the mallet of the chairman failed to suppress, the motion for the election of a chief marshal was before the house, and Mr. Muldoon moved to have it laid over for one year.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I., said that Mr. Muldoon was out of order and that the parade was to take place in 1899, and in order to carry it out a chief marshal must be elected. The chair declared that the motion for postponment of election of chief marshal was ruled out and that he (the chairman) would have to leave the chair, as the Mathews, of which he was a delegate, would not have anything to do with the election of a chief marshal at this time and that he could not remain in the position of chairman and be one of a number of delegates opposed to business on hand.

Different ones were nominated to act in the capacity of chairman, but they all refused to serve and several of the delegates insisted upon Mr. Mullaney continuing in the position as he had proven himself an impartial and efficient chairman. Mr. Mullaney reluctantly consented to keep the position. Mr. Muldoon moved to adjourn until Wednesday night. The motion was seconded and the delegates were asked to vote by the raising of hands and the motion was defeated.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I. nominated Mr. Edward A. McKinley of the Y. M. C. I. for chief marshal and he was closely followed by the nomination of Mr. C. H. Molloy, by a delegate of the A. O. H.

Mr. James Greeley made the motion at this point, to adjourn until next Sunday afternoon, and the motion became a vote.

The parade men were not at all satisfied with the result and they said they looked upon the motion as an attempt to side-track the carrying out of parade arrangements. It is expected that the meeting next Sunday afternoon will be a lively one.

DEATHS.

STILLINGS—Joseph A. Stillings died Saturday at his late home, 22 C street, aged 53 years. Deceased leaves his widow, one sister, Mrs. E. Thompson of Wolfboro', N. H., and four brothers, Rufus of Dover, N. H., James of Wolfboro, N. H., and Frank and Charles of Ossipee, N. H. Funeral tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

BURT—Charles H. Burt of the firm of C. E. Foss & Co., died at his home, 99 South Loring street, yesterday morning, aged 59 years and 9 months. He leaves a wife and two daughters, Mrs. H. S. Greenwood and Mrs. B. W. Clements.

FRYE—Marshall Frye, an old resident of the city and father of Dr. Charles M. Frye, died yesterday at the home of his son, 82 Dover street, aged 82 years, 6 months. Mr. Frye came to this city in 1867 and was greatly beloved by all who knew him. Besides his son, he leaves a stepdaughter, Mrs. M. L. Hamblet and a wide circle of friends to mourn his loss.

TOTMAN—Mr. Stark Totman whose death was briefly mentioned in Saturday's Sun was at the time of his demise residing in Roxbury. He was born in Woodstock, Vt., 76 years ago. For some time after coming to Lowell he was associated in business with Mr. S. T. Lancaster in the tailoring establishment at the corner of Central and Hurd streets. In the year 1870, he entered into partnership with Mr. C. I. Hood in the drug business and was a member of the firm until October, 1876, when Mr. Hood bought out his interest. Mr. Totman left Lowell soon afterward. The deceased was a widower and he leaves no family. Funeral services were held at his home in Roxbury yesterday afternoon and burial was in this city this afternoon.

HARRY S. GORDON

WHOSE NAME IS CONNECTED WITH N. Y. POISONING CASE KNOWN IN LOWELL.

Harry S. Cornish who is one of the principals in the notorious New York poisoning case is well known by a number of Lowell sportsmen. On July 2, 1892, there was an important meet in this city between the B. A. A. and the L. C. A. A. and Mr. Cornish acted in the capacity of handicapper for those events. Among those in this city who will remember the part that Cornish took in this meet are Hon. Charles D. Palmer, Fisher H. Pearson, Patrolman Matt McCann, Dr. C. E. Snyder, Thomas H. Kelley, Dr. Arthur H. McCann, veterinary surgeon and others.

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GREEKS FIGHT ON SATURDAY NIGHT.

One Drunk With Frozen Feet.

Edward Laborgue, aged 33 years, residing in West Fourth street was the victim of a brutal and unprovoked assault early Saturday night as a result of which he is now at St. John's hospital suffering with a broken leg and other injuries.

It appears that Laborgue who has been ill with the grip was advised to take whiskey and quinine and accordingly called at a down town saloon and procured a pint of the liquor at the same time indulging in a few hot ones at the bar. He was about to go out well satisfied with his call when he was approached by George Fraro, aged 45 years of Prince street, who proceeded to pick a row with him. Laborgue who is a peaceable man left the saloon to avoid any trouble but had not gone far when he was overtaken by the pugnacious Fraro who dealt him a vicious blow behind the ear sending him to the ground. Before he could arise Fraro had kicked him several times on the body.

Officers Duncan and Ryan then appeared on the scene and took both men to the police station where it was learned that Laborgue's leg was broken and he was taken in the ambulance to St. John's hospital and Fraro was locked up. Neither man was intoxicated.

GREEK BATTLE.

The Greek colony was the scene of a row early Saturday evening, in which 15 or 20 Greeks participated with the usual accompaniments of knives, clubs and fists, though no serious results followed the fracas. Officers Hurley and John O'Connell got into the fight and arrested James Cowirandus, aged 28 years and Peter Choratas, aged 33 years. They were charged with disturbing the peace and were bailed out.

ALLEGED SPEAK-EASY.

Liquor Inspectors Goodwin and Donaldson raided an alleged speak-easy at 493 Broadway, kept by William F. O'Brien. They procured a quantity of whiskey and beer.

HIS FOOT FROZEN.

William H. Kelly of 49 Concord st., was arrested at 7.35 o'clock Saturday night in Belvidere by Officer J. N. Welch on a charge of drunkenness. He was put in a cell and yesterday he complained of his feet which he said he had frozen while shoveling snow for the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Co., during the recent storm. The city physician was called to examine him and he found that one foot was frozen badly and he was ordered taken to the city farm hospital.

OFFICER FARRINGTON OUT.

Court Officer Henry Farrington who was stricken with paralysis while on his way home from the police station three weeks ago Saturday has so far improved that he was able to be driven down to the station Saturday afternoon for a short call. He was driven out by Mr. A. P. Bulman. Mr. Farrington is still very weak and it is likely to be some time before he will be in condition for duty.

RING SPINNING

MERRIMACK COMPANY MAY REMOVE ITS MULES.

Whether it is to get square with the spinners who made the trouble or not is not known, but it is said that the Merrimack mills are taking out their mules and substituting ring spinning frames, which will do away with the mule spinner. Thus the men who worked under Overseer Scoble may lose their work.

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CHAS. E. MAHONEY

OF LOWELL ELECTED TREASURER OF M.V.A.P.C.

Lawrence, Feb. 19.—The Merrimack Valley association of Postal Clerks met at the Franklin house this afternoon and elected the following officers: President J. J. Murray of Lawrence; first vice president, Calvin O. Butterick of Haverhill; second vice president, L. H. Carpenter of Manchester, N. H.; third vice president, Charles R. Davis of Salem; secretary, George Carlisle Stuart of Lawrence; treasurer, Charles E. Mahoney of Lowell.

A banquet and discussion followed the election of officers.

"AUNT JERUSHA."

"Aunt Jerusha" who is an amiable, amusing character, will introduce herself and her Sure leure at the new Music hall tonight for three nights and Wednesday matinee commencing tonight. She will appear with a family of fifteen members who are able to aid her in entertaining play-goers and a cordial reception no doubt awaits her here.

Those who appreciate merit on the stage will find material for admiration. "Aunt Jerusha" is a musical comedy, Miss Jennie Wetmore, a clever character actress, will appear in the title role. The piece was constructed to amuse and it has found favor wherever presented. It is in three acts, the scenes of which are laid on the New Jersey coast. The piece is equipped with a competent cast and is entitled to generous consideration from local play-goers, as singing and dancing specialties, grand special scenery, the celebrated Ritter Root Farm Rube quartette and the great shipwreck scene in the first act make it the greatest of all New England plays.

Three postponed games in the Mathews' whist tournament were played on Saturday night and resulted as follows: Harrington and Lonergan, 10; Dailey and Quirk, 4; Hickey and Minihan, 10; Dailey and Quirk, 14; Tarrant and Reilly, 10; Nicholson and McQuade, 9. Interest is now at fever heat and there is yet two weeks of playing before it closes.

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A BOLD ROBBERY

Burglars Overpower Woman and Ransack House.

BUT ARE FRIGHTENED BY CRIES.

One of Them Under Arrest.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 18.—A bold assault and attempted robbery was made in the house of Mrs. Elizabeth Young, 2 South Russell street, about 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon by four men. One is now locked up at the Joy street station, charged with assault and battery and attempted robbery, and it is only a question of time when the other three will be captured.

Mrs. Young keeps a lodging house. Several days ago John Wood, alias Erickson, took an alarm clock and some clothing to the house, which he left there, with the understanding that if he secured work he would take a room of her, otherwise he would call and reclaim his property. This, it appears, was part of a prearranged plan between him and his companions to secure the entree of the house at any hour they saw fit to visit it.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon Erickson and his three companions, Frank Etheridge, the "Providence Kid," and Spencer Moore, a colored man, visited the house. Mrs. Young was assaulted, it is claimed, by Erickson. His three companions went upstairs to ransack her trunks, which were supposed to contain a large sum of money.

The blow which Mrs. Young received was not sufficient to render her unconscious, and her cries for help so frightened her assailants that they fled from the house without securing any plunder. Word was at once sent to Capt. Wescott at Station 8, and a good description of the four men being furnished, he at once detailed Reserve Officer M. J. McDonough to work on the case. McDonough, with Inspector Gillmore, commenced a search for the fugitives in the haunts at the West end which they were known to frequent.

Neither of the men could be found at the West end, and McDonough suggested the visiting of a poolroom on Tremont street, near the railroad bridge. Here the colored man, Spencer Moore, 21 years old, who gives his residence as 31 Garden street, was found, and he was immediately placed under arrest. He was taken to the station, and upon being questioned, he at first denied all knowledge of the affair. After being on the rack for nearly an hour he finally weakened.

Moore said that he met the three men in the Cambridge street pool room several days ago and that Erickson suggested the plan of robbing Mrs. Young, stating that she kept a large amount of money in her trunks.

It was agreed that he should leave his property at the house to secure entrance and that he should knock Mrs. Young out while Etheridge and the "Providence Kid" examined the trunks. Moore, according to his story, was to remain on the outside to watch. They were then to meet again at the pool room on Cambridge street to divide the money. Then, all four were going to the New York for a good time.

The men met as agreed at the poolroom after the assault yesterday afternoon, but they had no money to divide. They then separated, Moore visiting several places around the city until the time of his arrest. The others, he says, were going to Cottage Farm to board a freight train and work their way over the Boston & Albany railroad to South Framingham, thence to Worcester, and on to New York.

Upon receiving this information the police of these cities were notified to be on the lookout for the men a full description being furnished. A description of the "Providence Kid" was telephoned to Chief Inspector Parker of Providence, as he is a well known character in that city, with a request for his arrest on sight.

All four of the men are well known to the police of this and other cities, all having served time for various offences. Moore, the man arrested was only recently released, after serving 22 months for a robbery in a Back Bay hotel.

The police furnished the following description of the men wanted:

John Wood, alias Erickson, 22 years old, five feet, six inches in height, weighs 160 pounds, light complexion, dark clothes, light overcoat, brown felt hat.

Frank Etheridge, 24 years old, five feet, four inches in height, weight 120 pounds, light complexion and smooth face, dark overcoat and black derby hat.

The "Providence Kid" 25 years old, five feet in height, weighs 105 pounds, red hair and freckled face, black overcoat and trousers and brown Fedora hat.

The Pine Tree State Four will run a sleigh ride party and dance at Willow Dale Thursday evening, February 23. Hadley's orchestra will furnish music. Barges will leave Merrimack square at 7.15 p. m. A jolly good time is in store for those who attend.

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GANG OF ROBBERS

Rounded Up By the Police of Boston.

Man Held up, Assaulted and Robbed Early Last Evening—One of the Gang Caught This Morning and He "Peached" on the Others.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 18.—Four men were arrested in East Boston this forenoon and later all were identified as members of a bold gang who committed two robberies at East Boston last night.

One of the gang the police say has served a long term in the Charlestown state prison for a desperate robbery committed some years ago.

All the others are known to the police and for a long time they have been watched. The prisoners gave the following names at the station house when arrested: George Walters 19 years of age; Daniel F. Sullivan 25 years of age; James F. Warden 25 years of age and James F. Sloane 21 years of age, all of East Boston. Sloane is the one reported to have served a long term in prison.

Last night robberies were committed early in the evening. Bernard Miller was assaulted by three men and lost $16. The laundry of Wing Lee was entered by three men, one of whom held up the proprietor, while the others went through the cash drawer.

Walters was caught by the police this morning, and it is believed, he was pressed until he gave the police information about his associates.

The police believe that this gang were all concerned in the daring assault upon the blind man in the house of Israel Bernler, at Orient Heights, and the subsequent robbery of the house and assault upon Mr. Bernler and his daughters, on Wednesday night.

GOSSIP OF LONDON

French People Bitter Against British Subjects.

NEWSPAPER ATTACKS ON PRES. FAURE.

The Doings of London's Society Circle.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The mild weather prevailing here contrasts forcibly with the cold weather in the United States. For some days the sunshine in London has been summer-like and the reports of the terrible weather experienced in America have been read with amazement. The temperature over the greater part of Europe is fairly high.

The Daily Chronicle epitomizes the general feeling with the cry:

"God bless the Gulf Stream."

The sudden death of M. Felix Faure, president of the French republic, has not affected the programme drawn up for Queen Victoria's trip to the south of France. She will go to Cimiez unless civil discord breaks out.

FEELING AGAINST THE BRITISH.

The attitude of the people in the southern part of the French republic toward British subjects, however, is still far from cordial and considerable indignation has been aroused here by the anti-British demonstrations which have been occurring there recently. An English visitor at Nice writes that twice when he attended an entertainment at one of the chief pleasure resorts, on the Jetee Promenade, where an actress gives imitations of well-known women, when the curtain was raised displaying Queen Victoria and the band played "God Save the Queen," there was an outburst of hisses and groans and shouts of "Down with English," from the well-dressed audience, one man, it is further stated, breaking forth into a volley of invectives against Her Majesty.

PAPERS ATTACKED FAURE.

There is little doubt that the Dreyfus crisis and the scurrilous attack of a portion of the Parisian press are largely accountable for President Faure's sad death. The "flutter papers" have been constantly raking up certain incidents reflecting upon members of President Faure's family, though not affecting the honor of President Faure personally. Only on Thursday last, the Libre Parole attacked the mother of M. Faure's son-in-law with reference to a house which, it is claimed, she wants to force the city of Paris to purchase at her own price in order to prolong the Rue Mogdor. The city officials found the price exorbitant and determined, rather than pay the sum demanded, to make a bend in the street, after offering her a larger and more valuable house a few doors off, which she refused. The matter was taken before the Council of State, which decided against the proposition to make a bend in the street. Thereupon the Libre Parole denounced the decision as "jobbery" implying that M. Faure exercised his influence in the interest of his son-in-law's mother. The President was much upset by this attack, foreseeing in it only the opening of a campaign against him.

BROWNING ON LOWELL.

The book of the week, "Love Letters of the Brownings," published on Wednesday, makes interesting reading although the story is simple, there is little variety in the sentiment and there are no lover's quarrels. Browning, writing in 1845, speaks thus of the late James Russel Lowell:

"He has refined fancy and is graceful for an American critic; but, the truth is he knows nothing of English poetry, or next to nothing, and has merely had a dream of the early dramatists."

About the same time Mrs. Barrett had a proposal from a firm of Boston publishers to collect and edit certain letters. She asked his opinion on the subject and Browning replying and advising her to accept, characterizing the offer as a "good, straightforward un-American thing" at the same time intimates that American publishers are given to printing incorrect copies and "eking out with suppositious matter, as they did with the book of Dickens." But, he adds:

"I like the progress of these Americans in taste; their amazing leaps, like grasshoppers into the sun."

GOSSIP OF SOCIETY.

Mrs. Bradley Martin, it is now asserted, has finally decided to take up her residence altogether in England and sell her New York establishment. She intends to entertain lavishly during the coming London season.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the secretary of state for the colonies has not yet recovered from an attack of gout, which continues painful, and he, whose proud public boast was that he never took physical exercise, is now ordered by his doctors to change his habits and indulge in moderate cycling.

The engagement of the Earl of Crewe to Lady Margaret, youngest daughter of Lord Rosebery is of exceptional interest in social and political circles, where both of them enjoy unusual popularity. The fiancee is known to her friends as "Peggy." She only recently came out and has great personal charm and many accomplishments. She will inherit great wealth. On the other hand, the Earl of Crewe is one of the ablest, best looking and richest of the Liberal Peers, with a distinguished political future. He has beautiful houses, great estates, owns race horses, writes poetry and has a grown up daughter.

Another interesting engagement is that of the Hon. Mary Hughes to Lord Edward Pelham-Clinton. The latter is a widower and is an uncle of the Duke of New Castle, whom he will also probably succeed as both the duke and Lord Francis Hope, who married the American actress May Yohe, are childless. Lady Mary is a grand daughter of the first Earl Ravensworth, is a Maid of Honor and is a great favorite of Queen Victoria, who presents her Maids of Honor, on their marrying, with the traditional dowery of 1000 pounds sterling and a cashmere shawl.

MEMORIAL TO GLADSTONE.

The Prince of Wales, on Thursday, presided at a meeting of the committee having charge of the national memorial to the late William E. Gladstone at which it was announced that the subscriptions had reached the sum of 25,000 pounds sterling. During the course of the proceedings, the Prince of Wales made a very graceful reference to Mr. Gladstone, saying:

"I am sure that my wish will be that of the country generally, that the statue memorial may be worthy of him and worthy of our country. Nobody had a higher admiration for the great statesmanlike qualities of Mr. Gladstone than I, and I may add that I bore him great personal friendship."

DEFICIT OF $1,000,000.

A sensation was caused in financial circles by the extraordinary announcement that the Millwall Dock Company would pass its dividend owing to the discovery of a deficit of over 200,000 pounds sterling ($1,000,000). The chairman of the company has disappeared and the shares have dropped about 20 points. It does not appear that there has been an actual embezzlement of money, but the accounts have been so manipulated that the directors were led to declare dividends which were not earned.

AMERICAN CANADIAN COMMISSION.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The American-Canadian Commission held a forenoon session and at 12 o'clock adjourned until 3 o'clock in the afternoon for another session. The members of the Commission refuse to give out any information as to the questions under consideration.

The condition of Supt. Philip J. Begley of the Lowell and Suburban Street railway is much improved.

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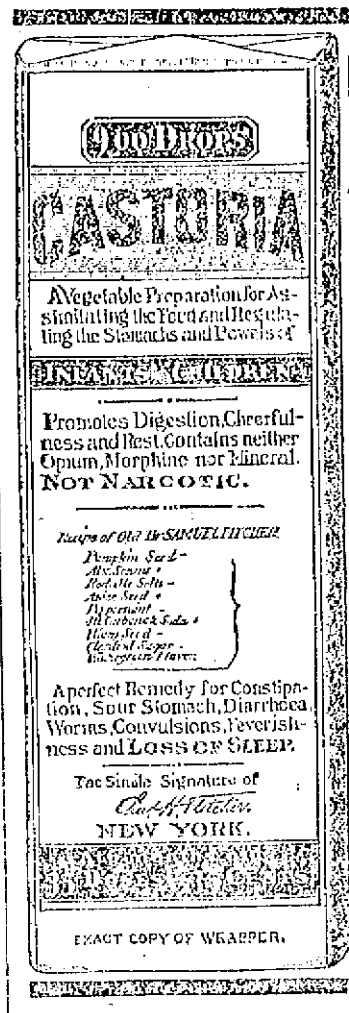

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OPPRESSIVE HEAT UNTIL RAINY SEASON.

Rebels Concentrate in the Jungle.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANILLA, Feb. 18.—Noon p. m.—The heat is very oppressive today, and the troops, especially those who are compelled to work in the open, have been affected. It will probably be warmer from now on until the rainy season opens.

The rebels have been concentrating south of the Pasig river, in front of Brigadier General Overshine's lines, on the right, all day long. The country in the vicinity is a particularly thick jungle extending for miles. The scouts report that the rebels are apparently coming from Laguna and from Cavite provinces. The Americans are strongly entrenched from the beach to the Pasig.

OTIS' REPORT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—General Otis cabled today as follows:

Manila, Feb. 18.

Adjutant General, Washington:

Casualties in skirmish off Tarquina road north of pumping station yesterday:

First Nebraska—Wounded: Co. A, Privates George Andrews, chest, forearm, knee, died last night; Edward Day, head, severe; Co. F, Charles E. Park, right thigh, slight; Co. G, John Williams, left elbow, severe; Sergeant William O. Camp, left thigh, slight; First Sergeant Wm. H. Cook, neck, severe; Co. C, Captain Albert H. Hollingsworth, thigh, severe; Second Lieut. Bert D. Wheeton, right thigh, severe; Private Frank Huling, Co. K, 20th Kansas, shot through knee yesterday; accidental.

In cable 11th, list of First Montana, wounded, James W. Kennelly and William Kennelly, Co. G, are identical, the latter being an error; shot right thigh, severe. Lieut. Gardenshire, First Montana, wounded is William Gardenshire, formerly private Company G.

(Signed) OTIS.

LONG SENTENCE

WILLARD GREEN MUST SPEND 20 YEARS AT HARD LABOR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Feb. 20.—Willard Green, the volunteer soldier who was indicted for the murder of Eddie Moore at Lake Massabesic early in November, accepted the advice of his counsel, Hon. John H. Albin of Concord Saturday and pleaded guilty.

County Solicitor James P. Tuttle appeared in behalf of the state. Judge Peaslee, before whom Green appeared, imposed a sentence of 20 years at hard labor in the New Hampshire state prison.

THIRTY ARE DEAD

Were Killed in a Collision of Trains.

FIFTY OTHER PERSONS WERE INJURED.

The Engineer Did Not See the Signals.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BRUSSELS, Feb. 18.—An express train from Calles, having London passengers on board, collided with a stationary train at Peret, near this city. Thirty persons were killed outright and fifty were more or less injured.

The train left Tournay at 5.22 this morning and reached Peret at 8.14. Immediately afterwards the Mons express dashed at full speed into the station and ran into the Tournay train, which was standing at the platform. It is said that owing to the fog, the engineer of the train did not see the signals.

The collision was appalling. The express locomotive mounted on top of the last carriages of the Tournay train, which were filled with passengers. These cars were smashed to pieces.

MEMBERS OF COMMITEE

CHAIRMAN OF DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE APPOINTS COMMITTEES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

HOLYOKE, Feb. 18.—C. T. Callahan, chairman of the democratic state central committee has announced his committees for the year as follows:

Executive committee—Col. Albion C. Drinkwater, Braintree; James E. Donoghue, Lawrence; George P. Cooke, Milford; Stephen M. Welsh, Lynn; John H. Ponce, Cambridge; Barry Lloyd, Boston; Thomas Fitzgibbon, Springfield; Michael M. Cunniff, Boston.

Finance committee—Michael M. Cunniff, chairman, Boston; Henry J. Jaquith, Wellesley; Charles P. McNabb, Waltham; John O'Hearn, Taunton; Charles C. Paine, Hyannis; Amelie Clonier, Lawrence; George T. McLaughlin, Sandwich.

HON. LEWIS MILLER DEAD.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—The Hon. Lewis Miller, a prominent citizen of Akron, Ohio, died today in the Post Graduate Hospital after an operation. Mr. Miller was 69 years old. In company with Bishop Vincent he founded the Chatauqua Assembly. He was a former congressman from Ohio and had been for years a warm personal friend of President McKinley. Theodore Miller, son of Mr. Miller's sons, was a member of Roosevelt's Rough Riders, and was killed in battle at Las Guasimas. This son was a Yale graduate and was one of the crew that Yale sent to England to row on the Thames. Robert, another son, was recently appointed postmaster at Ponce, Porto Rico. A third son is an ensign in the United States navy. Mr. Miller had one daughter who is the wife of Thomas A. Edison, the electrician.

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For Boston, 5.45, 6.23, 7.12, 7.43, *8.30, 9.15, *9.40, 11 a m; 1.13, *3.00, 4.25, *5.11 p m. SUNDAYS, 8.05 a m.

Trains leave Middlesex Street Station Lowell, as follows:

For Boston, 5.18, 6.04, *6.13, 6.53, 7.01, *7.20, *7.23, 7.34, *7.48, w7.51, *8.07, *9.10, w9.25, *9.30, w10.50 11.03, *11.15 a m; w12.05, 12.10, w12.15, 1.13, w2.[illegible], w3.03, 3.16, *3.47, w4.05, 4.25, w5.11, 5.21, *5.31, w6.11, *6.24, 7.00, *7.10, w9.25 p m. SUNDAYS, 7.30, 7.58, w8.15, 8.38, 9.3, a m, w12.05, w1.05, 1.45, w5.20, 5.50, w7.35 p m.

For Lawrence, 5.21, w5.50, *7.31, w8.33, w9.25, 10.05, w10.54 a m; w2.05, w3.31, w4.10, w4.55, 5.13, w8.10, w8.55, w9.00, w9.25, w11.52 p m. SUNDAYS, w11.15 a m, w11.56, w5.50, w7.35 p m.

For Salem, 5.18, 6.04, w8.25, 7.34 a m; w10.05, 1.08, w3.10, 5.31 p m.

For Haverhill, 6.21, 6.50, *7.31, 8.33, 9.25, 10.50 a m; 12.05, 2.32, 3.10, 4.55, 5.15, 7.00, 9.25, *11.35 p m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a m; 12.05, 5.50, 7.35 p m.

For Newburyport, Amesbury and Portsmouth, 6.21 a m; 12.05, 2.32, 4.55, 5.15 p m.

For Exeter and Dover, 6.21, 6.50, 9.25, 10.50 a m; 12.05, 2.32, 4.55, 5.15, 7.00, 9.25, *11.35 p m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a m; 12.05, 5.50, 7.35 p m.

For Portsmouth, Kittery and Portland, 6.21 a m; 12.05, 5.15 p m.

For Rochester and Alton Bay, 2.32 a m; 12.05, 4.55 p m.

For Somersworth, N. H., Saco, Old Orchard, and Portland, 6.21, 6.50, 9.25, 10.50 a m; 12.05, 4.55 p m. SUNDAYS, 5.50 p m.

For Augusta, Bath, Waterville, 6.21, 8.30 a m; 12.05, 5.50 p m. SUNDAYS, 5.50 p m.

For Lewiston, 6.21, 8.30 a m; 12.05, 5.50 p m.

For Bangor, Bar Harbor, Skowhegan and Rockland, 8.30 a m; 12.05 p m. SUNDAYS, 5.50 p m.

For St. Johnsbury, N. H., Bellows Falls, 5.50 p m. (Does not run Sundays.) SUNDAYS, 5.50 p m.

For Concord and St. John, (Steamer from Portland) via Newport, at 12.05 p m.

For Gardner, Barre, Brattleboro, Bar Harbor, Bangor and Washington, (via steamer Frank Jones from Portland) connections for the sea ports.

For stations on Grand Trunk R. R. via Portland, 5.50 a m; 12.05, 5.50 p m.

For Woburn, 6.23, 7.31, 8.33, 11.05 a m; 1.43, 4.38 p m. SUNDAYS, 8.15 a m; 4.55, 7.35 p m.

For Alton Junction, West Station—7.30 a m; 1.05, 5.31 p m. SUNDAYS, 8.05 p m.

For Amherst, 7.30 a m and 5.31 p m.

For Greenfield, Bernardston, Brattleboro, Hillsboro and Antrim, 7.30 a m and 5.31 p m. SUNDAYS, 10 Hillsboro, 8 p m.

For Nashua, Manchester and Concord—7.23, 8.19, 9.40, 11.05, 12.38, 1.05, 3.05, 4.38, 5.31, 6.40, 7.35, 9.40 p m. SUNDAYS, 10.05, 11.25 a m; 5.05, 6.35, 8.05, 9.05, 10.25, 8.40 p m.

For Tilton, Lebanon and Middle River Junction—8.19, 9.40 a m; 12.38, 5.31, 7.35, (to Tilton only) 5.31, 10.25 p m.

For Warner, Lindbrook, Stevens, Newport, Claremont Junction and Charlestown—7.23, 8.19, 10 p m.

For St. Johnsbury and Lyndonville, via Wells River—7.30 a m; 5.31 p m.

For Manchester, Concord, Laconia, Plymouth, St. Albans, Newport and points North—7.30 a m; 5.31 p m.

For Winchendon, Gardner, Athol and points North and West, via Ashburnham—7.30 a m; 5.31 p m.

For Ayer Junction, Fitchburg, Gardner, Winchendon, Athol, Montpelier, Barre, Burlington, St. Albans, Newport and points North and West—7.30 a m; 5.31 p m.

For Ayer and points West, via Nashua and Ft. Wadsworth—7.23, 8.19, 9.40, 11.05 a m; 12.38, 1.05, 3.05, 4.38, 5.31, 6.40, 7.35, 9.40 p m. SUNDAYS, 10.05, 11.25 a m; 5.05, 6.35, 8.05, 9.05, 10.25, 8.40 p m.

For Groton Junction, Groton, Pepperell, Hollis and Nashua—7.23, 8.19, 9.40, 11.05 a m; 12.38, 1.05, 3.05, 4.38, 5.31, 6.40, 7.35, 9.40 p m. SUNDAYS, 10.05, 11.25 a m; 5.05, 6.35, 8.05, 9.05, 10.25, 8.40 p m.

For Ashby, Fitchburg, Leominster, Gardner, Winchendon, Athol, Montpelier, Barre, Burlington, St. Albans, Newport and points North and West—7.30 a m; 5.31 p m.

For Ashby, Fitchburg, Leominster, Gardner, Winchendon, Athol, Orange, Farnumsville, Worcester, Springfield, Albany, Buffalo and points West—7.30 a m; 5.31 p m.

For Groton, Ayer Junction, Fitchburg, Gardner, Winchendon, Athol, Montpelier, Barre, Burlington, St. Albans, Newport and points North and West—7.30 a m; 5.31 p m.

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Millions of people in New York and other large cities,--but especially in New York, are interested in a machine to which the name of "auto-truck" has been given. The question is whether the compressed air-motor to be used in propelling the truck will drive horses from the streets, so far as heavy traffic is concerned, or whether the truckmen now in business will prove correct in their assertion that no motor can equal the horse with its muscle directed by intelligence in dragging heavy loads through metropolitan thoroughfares. There are about seventeen thousand truckmen in New York city alone who make a living under the present system. They are universally or almost universally opposed to a change; but their opposition would, of course, stand no more in the way of the "auto-truck" than hostility of the stage-coach owners to railways, if the compressed air-motor should prove to be practical and beneficial. An interesting feature of the truck controversy is that prominent politicians in New York and Washington are acting with, and interested in the "auto-truck" and that the compressed air motor has behind it that powerful political motor called "Tammany Hall." Notwithstanding formal denials, there is ground for believing also that the New York or Manhattan Elevated Railway interests are in alliance with the "auto-truck" and as the Brooklyn Elevated Railways seem likely to come under the control of Ex-Governor Flower, the surface road magnate, it is evident that the field of the compressed air motor is vast and promising, and there may be millions in it for all interested.

A reporter was specially detailed to get the inner facts regarding the "auto-truck." As the information comes mainly from those who have a financial interest in the project, it may, perhaps, hold out too sangine a prospect for the innovation. The purpose of the reporter has been to get facts and present them clearly and succinctly to the readers: there is no doubt that much that is valuable in throwing light upon the subject is here published for the first time.

A corporation has been formed entitled the New York Auto-Truck company, with a capital of ten million dollars, that promises to control the trucking business of New York and other cities. Trucks are in process of construction. They will be owned by the company and none will be sold. These trucks will be run for twenty-five miles with one charge of compressed air, at a minimum cost of one cent per mile.

The list of those chiefly interested in the New York Auto-Truck company includes Richard Croker, Senator Arthur P. Gorman, Joseph H. Hoadley, Nathan Straus, Lewis Nixon and Robert McKinstrey. It is a companion concern to the International Air-Power company, which has a capital of seven million dollars, and which will, when fully prepared, devote itself to constructing the trucks. The latter company has the exclusive right in all the patents throughout the world, which the American Air-Power company formerly owned, except the street car rights of North and South America, which the American Air-Power company still holds. Joseph H. Hoadley is one of the organizers of this company. The patents to be used by the New York Auto-Truck company are controlled by Joseph Leiter of Chicago.

The men interested in the international Air-Power company are Joseph H. Hoadley, William Knicht, H. E. Knight, and Robert I. McKinstrey of New York and Edward F. Glenn of Philadelphia. Ex-District Attorney Graham of Philadelphia is counsel of the International Air-Power company, and Judge Augustus Van Wyck, the defeated democratic candidate for governor of New York, is counsel of the New York Auto-Truck company.

THE AUTO-TRUCK VERSUS THE HORSE.

Other "auto-truck" companies have been formed through the country—the Philadelphia Auto-Truck company with a capital of ten million dollars; the Chicago Auto-Truck company with a capital of ten million dollars; and the Denver and St. Louis Auto-Truck company with a capital of five million dollars. Eventually these companies may form a trust, with a combined capital of thirty-five million dollars, in an endeavor to drive small truckmen out of business. The truckmen laugh at this suggestion and profess to believe the "auto-truck" to be impracticable. They argue that, the motor being in the rear, it will be impossible to turn even a light truck off a car track, when it is once there and they point out other numerous advantages of the horse over inanimate power.

Power stations will be built at various points throughout the city. A system of pipes connecting with these stations will be laid beneath the streets. These pipes will connect with hydrants similar in appearance to water-hydrants. A truck, will stop, make connections, and in two minutes, will be replenished with compressed air. The conduits beneath the streets will be ordinary iron pipes, two and one-half inches in diameter, while the pipe which supplies the air to the truck will be about one-half to an inch in diameter. Together with these may be laid two other pipes, one for water and the other for steam, for purposes yet to be explained.

The air bottles or tanks, varying in number according to the size of the truck, are placed beneath the floor, between two axles. These air-reservoirs are seamless steel bottles. An average truck requires nine of these bottles, placed in the manner shown in the accompanying picture of a heavy yard truck. In a wagon truck these reservoirs are fewer than in the yard truck higher from the ground and out of all danger of being damaged. The motor is iron-clad, and rests in the middle, on the rear-axle, and is driven in the middle by means of the gear. This does away with the side rods of the old-style air-motor, prevents indirect swaying and is considered a great improvement.

HOW THE POWER IS APPLIED.

A heavy truck has a heater under the center of the floor, which consists of a seamless steel flask charged with hot water under a pressure of from one hundred and fifty to three hundred pounds per square inch heated by steam at the same time the air reservoirs are being filled at the charging stations en route. A pipe leads from the air-reservoirs to a combined reducing and throttle valve, which lessens the storage pressure to the working power. But before the pipe reaches the reducing valve, it passes several times around the heater, so that the air can receive heat to prevent the freezing of any moisture that may be in it.

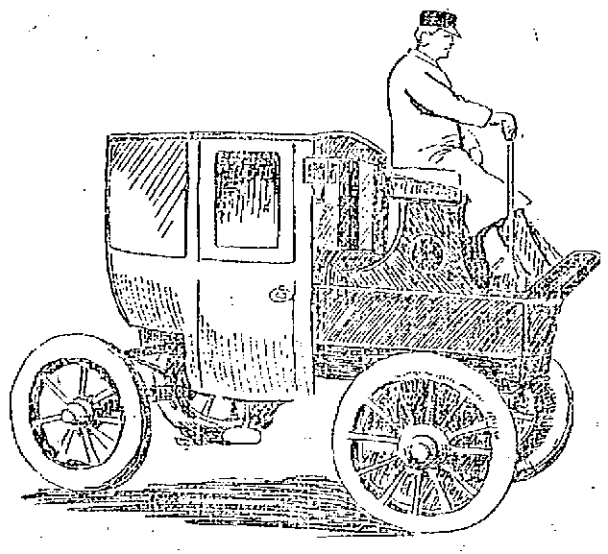
When the air is reduced to about three hundred and twenty pounds of pressure per square inch, it passes through a coiled pipe placed in the reheater, which raises the temperature of the air, causes it to expand, and naturally increases its working capacity. Again before this air goes into the high pressure cylinder, hot water is injected into it by the opening of automatic valves. A part of this water is instantly vaporized and takes the place of the steam already used in the working cylinders. After leaving the high-pressure cylinders, the air is again warmed by causing it to flow through pipes in the hot water heater. Again hot water is sprayed into the pipes containing the air, before the latter passes to the low-pressure cylinder. In this, it is found that the results of reheating are slight in comparison with those in the high pressure cylinder. So perfect yet simple, is the mechanism throughout, that the vales respond instantly to their requirements. There is also a hand valve, in the same pipe as the automatic water valve, that enables the amount of water to be adjusted as may be thought expedient.

NO EXPOSED MACHINERY.

One of the many advantages of the Hoadley-Knight motor over the old-style air-motors is that there is no exposed machinery. All of the moving parts of the motor proper run in a cast iron box, or casing, which is partly filled with oil. They are thereby continuously lubricating themselves. With this system, oil cups are unnecessary.

After a careful estimate, it has been found that during service, about thirty five per cent. of the indicated power of the compressor is delivered at the axle in driving the motor and of the total amount stored, about one-half is available in the motors. If it were not for the reheater, this would be reduced by at least fifty per cent. It has been proven by tests that the cost of re-heating is about one-fifth of the cost of compressing the air.

The "auto-truck" is absolutely under the control of the motorman, who sits comfortably on an ordinary wagon seat. The steering apparatus is similar to that of the yard truck,--two horizontal wheels, one below the other. The upper wheel is the controller. On the "auto-trucks" the controlling and steering apparatus will have the appearance of that on an auto-mobile carriage. The motor is controlled by varying the cut-off, also by the throttle, the two being operated simultaneously. A forward movement of the single controller starts the truck, and the propelling force is proportional to the distance it is moved from the starting point, so that any degree of quickness can be obtained. A backward movement to the starting point brings the valve to a minimum cut-off, and closes the throttle; while a still further backward movement reverses the motor and opens the throttle to back the truck. No brakes are required and the truck can be brought to a standstill at a moment's notice. Thus, it starts and stops with greater promptness than any former invention of motor power. It is claimed that, while a horse finds it difficult to draw a load of two tons, the "auto-truck" will move easily along with five times asserted that the "auto-truck" can turn that load at the rate of eight miles an hour to a horse's four miles. It is also almost in its own tracks.



The Auto-Truck, Driven By Compressed Air-Motor, Which is Common in New York.

RECEPTION NOTICE.

The reception to Teacher Coughlin postponed from February 13th, will be held at High school hall on Wednesday evening next, February 22nd, at 8 o'clock.

You are cordially invited with friends to be present.

Very truly,
P. Hayes, Jr.,
For the Committee.

Cedar Rapids Gazette—Massachusetts promoters propose to organize a trust for the control of the sale of writing paper. The alphabet will remain free to the use of the people until such time as some company gets a patent thereon. It will be necessary to corner the correspondence of the people by some more comprehensive means than a trust in paper. They will be able to write with shoe polish and keep even with the game.

COULD NOT SLEEP.

Mrs. Pinkham Relieved Her of All Her Troubles.

Mrs. Maude Babcock, 176 Second St., Grand Rapids, Mich., had ovarian trouble with its attendant aches and pains, now she is well. Here are her own words: "Your Vegetable Compound has made me feel like a new person. Before I began taking it I was all run down, felt tired and sleepy most of the time, had pains in my back and side, and such terrible headaches all the time, and could not sleep well nights. I also had ovarian trouble. Through the advice of a friend I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and since taking it all troubles have gone. My monthly sickness used to be so painful, but have not had the slightest pain since taking your medicine. I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound too much. My husband and friends see such a change in me. I look so much better and have some color in my face."

Mrs. Pinkham invites women who are ill to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is freely offered.

Old People

Need Something to Help Them Preserve Their Waning Vitality.

With Advanced Years Great Care and Caution are Necessary.

Anything That Will Enable the Stomach to Better Digest Food is Invaluable.

Vinol, Wine of Cod Liver Oil, is Old People's Best Friend.

This Great Tonic Reconstructor Aids Digestion, and Gives to the Feeble Renewed Vigor.

We Guarantee to Aged People that Vinol will enable them to regain Strength.

Try this Scientific Rebuilder, and see if what we claim for it is not so.

If you are not thoroughly satisfied with the action of Vinol, we will return your money.

When any one has reached an age where they are on the downward path of life, something should be given to help Nature husband the declining strength. Old people frequently resort to stimulants for this purpose. Stimulants are useful sometimes in cases of the most extreme weakness, but there is always that awful after-effect.

What is needed more particularly is a tonic that brings renewed vigor, and one that directly aids in the creation of new and healthy tissue. The one tonic above all others that will do this, and do it surely, is Vinol, Wine of Cod Liver Oil. Vinol, by its favorable action upon the stomach, enables this organ to obtain the proper nourishment from the food to make new and healthy flesh, rich, pure blood, and sound muscles.

The effect of Vinol you will find to be sure and very quickly perceptible. The fact that Vinol is most delicious to the taste, and unlike all cod liver oil preparations, contains no fat or grease, makes it an appetizing luxury.

Mr. F. H. Stony, 240A School Street, Somerville, Mass., says: "I had been confined to the house most of the winter. My doctor recommended that I should try Vinol. Let me say right here that Vinol is all right as far as taste and smell goes. So pleasant did Vinol taste that I could not conceive how it would do any one any good. It has done me good, however. I am now gaining flesh, and eat and sleep as a well man should. I feel like a boy again. Your Vinol deserves good luck."

This is only one case of many that we have heard of. We have every reason to endorse Vinol as thoroughly as we do. We will refund, to any one who is not satisfied that Vinol does all we claim for it, the money they pay for the remedy.

ELLINGWOOD & CO.,
Pharmacists,
Barristers Hall, Merrimac, Cor. Central St., and 255 Central, Cor. Middlesex St

TAKE care of your stomach, and your stomach will take care of your health. Take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, and then there will be an end to Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Biliousness, Constipation and Malaria. It drives all poisons from the blood, and builds up the broken down body and shattered nervous system.

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS

NEARLY KILLED

Tramp Assaulted a Lowell Man.

THE LATTER USED AXE WITH GOOD EFFECT.

The Intruder's Intent Was Robbery.

Peter Trainor, a former resident of Lowell, but now of Holliston, was murderously attacked at his home in the latter place Friday afternoon by an unknown tramp. The tramp entered Mr. Trainor's kitchen and stealing up behind the latter dealt him a heavy blow over the head with a shovel. Although Mr. Trainor was temporarily stunned by the blow but he recovered shortly. Meanwhile, the tramp believing him to be unconscious made his way through the apartments of the dwelling and was about to proceed from the house when Mr. Trainor who had seized an axe, struck him in the head with the weapon, felling him to the ground where he lay with the blood flowing in a stream from an ugly wound.

Mr. Trainor then went to notify the authorities and when he returned the tramp had disappeared. By blood-stains on the snow he was tracked to the woods where the trail was lost. The Holliston police are searching the neighborhood for a clue to the whereabouts of the man.

FUNERALS.

DUDLEY—The funeral of the late Aroline Dudley took place Saturday afternoon from the residence of Mr. Geo. Chase of 19 Lincoln street. Saturday afternoon and was very largely attended. Services were impressively conducted by Rev. C. L. Merriam, pastor of the Highland Congregational church and there were renditions of very appropriate hymns. The interment was in the School street cemetery and the pall bearers were Messrs. William Landers, William Prescott, Albert Dearth and A. Dana.

PRESTON—The funeral of the late Alonzo K. Preston took place Saturday afternoon from the establishment of C. M. Young & Co., Rev. R. A. Greene officiating. The interment was in the Grand Army lot in the Lowell cemetery.

BURKE—Funeral services over the remains of the late Edmund Burke were held yesterday afternoon at St. Peter's church. The church was thronged with friends and relatives of the deceased who also followed the remains to the Catholic cemetery. Rev. Fr. Mullin officiated at the church and the choir rendered vocal selections. On the entry of the sorrowful procession to the church, Mr. James E. Donnelly rendered "No Cross, No Crown" and Miss Louise McLaughlin sang "Angels Ever Bright and Fair," as the body was being removed from the church. At the grave Rev. Fr. Mullin officiated. The bearers were Patrick Mooney, Richard Welch, Terrence Cox, Arthur Brett, James Hood and George Burke. The floral tributes were: Pillow resting on base, the love token of the bereaved sisters of deceased. On the pillow was inscribed the word "Brother." Standing wreath inscribed "Farewell" suspended from mammoth base, Miss Lillian Farley; cross on base with inscription "Eddie" Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Donovan; twenty-two roses, Miss Helen Burke of Boston, a sister of deceased; spray of roses, Mr. Arthur Brett; spray of pinks, Mr. Patrick Mooney; spray of roses, Donovan family; spray of pinks and roses, Miss Jennie Logan; spray of roses, Mr. and Mrs. Van Hise. Undertaker Savage directed the funeral.

MOONEY—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Mooney of Evergreen street, Chelmsford, took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from her home. The bearers were Charles Anderson, John Norton, John McCaffrey, and Michael Flynn. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery in Lowell in charge of Undertaker Savage.

GODDARD—The funeral of Caroline Goddard took place Saturday afternoon from the home of her parents, Charles R. and Blanche, 30 Marlborough street. Rev. W. A. Bartlett officiated and Miss Hathaway sang. Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

McNAUGHTON—The funeral of Walter B. McNaughton took place yesterday at his home in North Chelmsford and Rev. Robert Dunbar conducted the services. Undertaker Young had charge of the arrangements and the bearers were Charles, P. A., and J. R. Carkin and James Wotton. George Elliott and Walter Brown. The burial was in Tyngsboro.

DAWSON—Maurice R. Dawson, infant son of George H. and Marion J. Dawson, died Saturday at the home of his parents, 49 Coburn avenue. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, Rev. D. A. MacPhie officiating. Interment was in the Edson cemetery.

JEWETT—The funeral of Miss Emma L. Jewett took place Saturday afternoon from the home of her sister, Mrs. George H. Morse, Eighth street. Rev. L. C. Manchester officiated and there was singing by a male quartette. The bearers were: Mr. Marcellus Greenwood, Mr. J. W. Wilson, Mr. Lewis Worthley and Mr. Frank H. Adams. Interment was in the Lowell cemetery.

DEERING—Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah Deering were conducted yesterday at her late home, No. 36 Cosgrove street, by Rev. C. W. Huntington. J. B. Currier had charge of the funeral arrangements and burial was in the No. 2 burying ground.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO AN APPEAL.

In reply to an appeal for assistance to the Lowell General Hospital, the following contributions have been received:

Patten & Roberts	$ 5.00
J. W. Huntoon	10.00
Geo. F. Stiles	5.00
C. M. Dickey	5.00
Frederick Blanchard	10.00
Simpson & Rowland	5.00
Alfred E. Rose	5.00
Thomas Walsh	5.00
John J. Pickman	5.00
Harry A. Brown	5.00
D. W. C. Farrington	5.00
G. N. and E. Nichols	5.00
C. C. Hutchinson	5.00
Mrs. David Nichols	5.00
S. W. Churchill	5.00
Walter L. Parker	5.00
Mrs. Robert Goulding	5.00
Edmund D. Fletcher	5.00
Mrs. J. S. Ludlam	5.00
A Friend	5.00
Wm. H. Wright	5.00
Martin Libby	5.00
F. F. Bailey	5.00
Wm. D. Blanchard	5.00
M. B. Hamlett & Co.	5.00
Hiram F. Mills	10.00
L. A. Worcester	5.00
Elisha J. Neal	5.00
Robert H. Stubbes	5.00
Charles H. Walker	5.00
Mrs. Peter Anderson	5.00
Macella Greenwood	5.00
A. G. Pollard	100.00
D. H. Bradt	5.00
John E. Wainwright	5.00
Mrs. Francis Jewett	5.00
C. W. Whitten	5.00
Mrs. A. Simpson	5.00
C. H. Nelson	5.00
M. G. Perkins	5.00
John A. Faulkner	5.00
A. D. Carter	5.00
George L. Huntoon	10.00
Wm. H. Anderson	10.00
Mass. Mohair Plush Co.	5.00
George Fairburn	10.00
M. G. Wight & Co.	11.00
C. I. W. Maynard	5.00
George Stevens	10.00
George G. Reed	5.00
J. B. Trueworthy	5.00
Frederick D. Burbeck	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Larkin T. Trull	25.00
E. H. Adams	5.00
Charles F. Blanchard	5.00
Mrs. George Rontels	10.00
Mrs. Annie E. Sherman	5.00
Adelbert Ames	5.00
Henry G. Cushing	5.00
E. T. Rowell	20.00
Total	$176.00

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SMALL DOSES. GOOD RESULTS.

Useful in Colds, Bronchitis, Consumption, Lung Affections, Pneumonia, etc. Unequalled in relieving Dyspepsia, and a superb Tonic for WASTING DISEASES.

SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

Look for our firm name signature on face and neck label.

CHESTER H. GRAVES & SONS.

7 SUTHERLAND SISTERS' HAIR GROWER

Is the only preparation that will restore the hair to its original healthfulness.

—AT ALL DRUGGISTS—

MRS. ANNA A. ROBINSON, Chosen Department President of the Women's Relief Corps by the Convention Held Last Week in Boston.

O'Donnell & Gilbride Co.

AN ABSOLUTE SACRIFICE

5 Days' Sale of Floor Coverings, Beginning Tuesday Morning at 8 O'Clock.

This gigantic sacrifice which we propose to make this week on CARPETS, MATTINGS, LINOLEUMS and RUGS, will be on what is known to the trade as dropped styles, surplus stock, short lengths and odds and ends which we want to dispose of prior to the completion of alterations now going on in our Carpet Room. No need of further comment. Come and see the values.

CARPETS.

20 rolls of Lowell and Philadelphia Ingrain Carpets, positively worth 65 to 75c,

Price this week 47 1-2c per yard

50 rolls of best 10 wire Tapestry, including Roxbury, Sanford & Smith's best productions; these are positively 85c grades,

Price this week, 65c per yard

36 rolls best 9 wire Tapestry Carpets that sold regularly for 75c,

Price for this week 55c per yard

30 rolls of Smith's Best Moquette Carpets, our regular $1.25 grade; these are dropped styles only,

Price for this week, 90c per yard

LINOLEUMS.

27 rolls of Nairne best Linoleums in very choice colorings; sold always $1.00 per yard,

Price for this week, 79c per yard

Sampson's Best Oil Cloths, usually sold at 50c,

Special price this week, 39c per yard

MATTINGS.

60 rolls of fine China Jointless Matting, sold to date 30c,

Price this week 20c per yard

45 rolls of fine Cotton Warp Matting, sold to date at 35c,

Price this week, 25c per yard

A BARGAIN IN RUGS.

3 bales of fine Wool Smyrna Rugs, sold to date at $2.50,

Price for this week $1.98

A Special 20 per cent. Discount on all our Upholstery Goods for 5 Days. In conjunction with the floor covering sale we have decided to offer our entire stock of Drapery and Upholstery, consisting of Lace Curtains, Portieres, Fringes, Nets, Silkolene Plushes, Velours, Cretonnes, Denims, etc., at a bonafide discount of 20 per cent from regular prices for 5 days only.

SALE BEGINS TUESDAY MORNING.

O'DONNELL & GILBRIDE CO.

MERRIMACK, PALMER AND MIDDLE STREETS.

Everybody's liable to itching piles. Rich and poor, old and young—terrible the torture they suffer. Only one sure cure, Doan's Ointment. Absolutely safe; can't fail.

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MEN'S FURNISHERS.

CAPS CAPS CAPS

All the leading styles for driving and working, 50c. to $1.50.

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In all grades for all purposes.

ALL PRICES.

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MEN'S FURNISHERS,

COR. CENTRAL AND MIDDLE STS.

Plasters Like Dough

are always needed. The best kind are the right kind; the right kind are Dows' old-fashioned kind. He has made them for forty years. 20 and 25 cts. each. 399 Central St.

Do You Want a Prize?

If so we will furnish you a

GRAND PRIZE RANGE

which you will say in truth is a prize for any housekeeper to own.

We guarantee this range and can truthfully say it has no equal. Don't buy a Range till you see ours.

GAYNOR & CO.

35 Prescott Street.

Missed the Mark.

How many fail to hit the centre of the ring in business life, from various causes. Chief among these is the quality of goods offered to the public. We pride ourselves on being the

RELIABLE SHOE DEALERS OF LOWELL.

Simply when we guarantee a shoe we stand back of it. We mean what we say. All goods sold by us, if not proven as per our guarantee, we will gladly give new goods. Always pleased to show goods whether you buy or not.

SUNLIGHT Shoe Store

100 Central Street.

High Grade Repairing.

W. S. CRADY.

Beef! Beef! Beef!

Is lower than for 8 months past. All this week we will cut your Rounds of Beef.

Beef 6 to 10 cents per pound.
Rumps 10 to 14 cents per pound.
Sirloin Roast 10 to 15 cents per pound.
First Cut Roast 10 to 12 cents per pound.
Fine Roast 5 to 8 cents per pound.
Roast Pork 8 cents per pound.
Fresh Shoulders 7 cents per pound.
Northern Ham, small, 8 to 12 pounds, 10 cents.
Northern Ham, large, 9 cents.
Northern Ham, smoked shoulders, 7 cents.
Legs Lamb, 12 cents pound.
Hind Quarters, 10 cents pound.
Fore Quarters, 6 cents pound.
Salt Ribs, 5 cents pound, 6 lbs. 25 cents.
Diamond Medal Flour $4.75.
Diamond Medal Bags 50 cents.
20 pounds of Sugar $1.00 with tea and coffee. Don't be misled, come and see for yourself.

Central Cash Market, Tel. 606-3.

THE LOWELL SUN
JOHN H. HARRINGTON, Proprietor.
SUN BUILDING, LOWELL, MASS.
Member of the Associated Press.
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to advertise in a paper with a large circulation because you do not agree with its views on public questions. It is not to the paper that you appeal for trade, but to its readers. If you solicit patronage from those only who think as you do, you had better go out of business before you lose every dollar you have.

You may not agree with THE SUN on all questions, but if you take the trouble to look into its circulation, you will agree that you cannot afford to be out of its columns if you advertise at all.

THE SUN has a larger circulation than any two other papers in Lowell, and it is the cheapest advertising medium in this city on the basis of actual circulation. It's

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENTERPRISE.

With a no-license year at hand, there is a great opportunity for the liquor merchants of Lowell to branch out into some other business. Lowell has long been distressed by the fact that she had to depend mainly upon the textile industry. When that became depressed and no industry is more susceptible to the fluctuations of business—the entire city was affected. When hard times came, Lowell suffered more than any city that had a variety of industries and so it is with all such cities. The textile industry is the most sensitive and precarious in the country, and it behooves the city of Lowell to depend upon it only as little as possible. The competition of the southern mills in handicapping the north, and the shorter hours here weighs something also in the scale of comparison between the north or south. The time is not far distant when Lowell will have to look to some other industry than that carried on in our cotton and woolen mills.

Now that 84 men of prominence are getting out of a business in which they can never avoid the unpleasant thought that their profits are drawn mainly from the hard earnings foolishly spent of the toilers in our workshops and factories. To some men this thought must be very disagreeable. Besides there are other disagreeable features about the business, not the least being its uncertainty, that should render it less desirable than it appears to be with those engaged in it. Of late years with the added restrictions it is absolutely impossible to comply with the law in every respect and at the same time do a paying business. With all those disadvantages, it is strange if so many men will live idly for a year with the hope of getting a chance to re-enter the business should the city return to license. In the first place they are, not by any means certain that the city will return to license, and in the second place, no man, unless he has a pull with the syndicate, is sure that he will get a license. Under such circumstances would it not be best for as many as possible of the liquor dealers to branch into some other business. Times are looking better and many fields are open to enterprise with a fair prospect of success. There is plenty of room for shoe shops, furniture factories, clothing factories, electric works; there is not only room but there is need for a first class hotel; there is opportunity to make money in the manufacture of bicycles and auto-mobile carriages, as well as a thousand other things, which will readily suggest themselves to shrewd business men. There is an opportunity for the profitable investment of capital in homes for the working people in the suburbs, so as to afford as many as possible a fair share of God's pure air and healthful surroundings. If the liquor dealers who will go out of business on May 1st, want to benefit themselves and the city they should branch out into some new and creditable enterprise.

AGAINST MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION.

Throughout the country there is an outcry against municipal corruption, and it is charged that it is largely due to the failure of the business men to perform their full political duties. It is alleged that they fail to attend the caucuses that they let the nominations go by default and leave the selection of candidates to the operatives. Then when election day comes, they are unable to right the wrong that has been done. In New England cities, there has been a tendency to bring the men who practice corruption to prompt account. In Lowell there have been several sentences and at present the former head of the lands and buildings department is under indictment for a crooked transaction. In Lawrence city officials have been prosecuted for dishonesty, and in Haverhill aldermen have been sent to jail, while similar cases might be cited in almost every other city in the state. In Boston at present a trial is in progress arising from alleged frauds in the street department while there are undoubtedly others equally culpable that have escaped notice. If the citizens maintain vigilance that may be necessary to detect corruption and punish the guilty parties, they will have taken the first step to stamp out dishonesty in municipal government. A great deal of course can be done by improving the system so that there will not be such an opportunity for the practice of dishonesty in the various departments. In this regard it might be stated that the resolution introduced by Councilman O'Brien to have a list of the employes of the street departments, the amount of their earnings and the work performed published every year is commendable. It would be a check upon the department which would be useful to the citizens in general. Still, it appears that the republicans are not ready to favor such a scheme and the citizens are wondering why.

A MUNICIPAL STORE.

The city of Rochester, N. Y., has an economical method of relieving its poor. It has a municipal storehouse which secures all the necessary supplies at wholesale prices and thus avoids the custom of giving orders on stores at retail prices. Before the applicants receive aid at this store they must certify that they do not own a bicycle. A few restrictions of this kind prevent the free distribution of relief to undeserving applicants. In some cities the applicants have been known to call daily for their allowance and ride off with their parcels on a bicycle. In the city of Waterbury, Ct., an applicant for relief spent the dollar given him in renewing the license on his dog and yet this was more excusable than spending the money in drink as many do. It is such cases that cause the deserving cases to be subjected to unnecessary scrutiny before relief is granted. The present purchasing agent would be just the man to start up such a store in Lowell, although if it could not be run more economically than the woodyard it would not be a paying investment.

With the war tax and the high tariff the revenue for the year shows a large deficit and there is talk of a bond issue. It might be supposed that the war tax would suffice to meet all expenditures, but with the increased demands upon the government there must be more money. The investigating commissions come high, and we have got to have them to whitewash the incompetents, and blacken and defame the only men of ability connected with the war department. If this be so with our small army, what would be the condition if we had a standing army of 100,000?

CURRENT COMMENT.

Boston Traveler—For six years' gallant service as rear admiral in the United States navy George Dewey will receive $8,000. During a six years' vacation granted him by McKinley as "punishment" Hagan will receive $33,000. Who will say that republics are ungrateful?

Manchester Union—A court martial at Washington has sentenced a private soldier for some trivial offence to two months at hard labor with partial loss of pay. The commissary general, for blackguarding the senior major general, gets six years' vacation on full pay. But the private doesn't happen to be a friend of Alger.

Colcos Dispatch—The genuine American patriots imbued with the proper spirit of liberty cannot consistently exult as they read of the subjugation of the insurgents in Manila whose purpose is evidently to fight as was that of Washington and the continental army 123 years ago. Every true American should hang his head in shame as he realizes that greed and selfishness have secured the mastery over patriotism in the boasted land of the free and the home of the brave.

Atchison Globe—Have you remarked how important the army and navy are of late? Have you remarked how much time they take up in congress? Have you remarked how high they rank in the appropriation bills? This is the way it goes in the old countries which are ruled by the army and navy. America has always been a particularly desirable place to live in because the plain people were superior to the army and navy. The foolish expansion policy is changing all this in addition to costing us more money than we can afford.

A rumor was afloat in Fall River Saturday to the effect that the licensed liquor dealers who have been paying large sums for permits had entered complaints against the dives which do a big business on Sundays, and that as a result there would soon be a new order of things in that city.

New spring hats have made their appearance.

The man who didn't clean his sidewalk off ought to be ——, well, ask yourself when you fall down.

Eczema.

Mr. H. T. Shobe, 2704 Lucas Ave., St. Louis, Mo., says: "My daughter had Eczema, which covered her head and spread to her face. She was treated by physicians and taken to celebrated health springs, but only grew worse. Many patent medicines were taken, but without result, until we decided to try S. S. S. A dozen bottles cured her completely and left her skin perfectly smooth. Not a sign of the dreadful disease has ever returned."

S.S.S. For The Blood

(Swift's Specific) is the only cure for Eczema, and all other obstinate, blood diseases. Valuable books mailed free by Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

LITERARY GOSSIP.

Among the books just published by the Macmillan Company is one by Gamaliel Bradford, entitled, "The Lesson of Popular Government." It is a constructive and critical attempt to show that not only does the trend of events tend to show that democracy is a form of government that will remain, but that in spite of its apparent defects it is the best form of government that has so far developed. Another book that promises to prove interesting to students of political economy is "The Development of English Thought" by Prof. S. N. Patten. The purpose of this book is to bring out the connection between the economic events that determine a nation's prosperity and the thought and feelings of the people.

The annual summary number of the "Publishers' Weekly," gives some interesting statistics regarding books published last year from which we cull the following. In the United States no less than 4,586 titles appeared, of which 4,332 were of new books and 254 new editions. It would seem that American authors are becoming less prolific, for they wrote only 2998 books as against 3,318 in 1897. In England there were published last year 6508 new books and 1598 new editions. In France the number of books published during 1898 reached the surprising total of 14,781 or nearly one-fifth more than in both England and the United States together.

"How Count Tolstoi Lives and Works," by S. Sergyienko has been translated from the Russian by Isabel F. Hapgood for Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. The work is fully illustrated.

SOMETHING OF THE MAN CYRANO

Given a historical personage or period, the more noteworthy the better, a fair knowledge of whichever may be selected as subject, a good imagination not necessarily too scrupulous as to fact and a flowing pen, and you have all the elements necessary for the making of the so-called historical novel. This species of story is almost sure to possess a certain interest; it borrows it if we may say so, from the characters portrayed. From the standpoint of the novelist, it does not particularly matter how faithfully these characters are painted or what words may be put in their mouths. His work is to secure and hold the attention of the reader, and he is not necessarily required to confine himself strictly to fact. In just this lies the chief objection to dressing history in the garb of fiction, and it often becomes a very serious one, so serious as to raise the question whether the historical novel is not in fact of decidedly baneful influence. It may, often does, convey inaccurate information create wrong impressions, and thus confuse the reader in a way that is anything but to his advantage.

Through Rostand's play, which after almost monopolizing the stage, has now found its way into the courts, a quite general interest has been aroused in Cyrano de Bergerac. We know something of what this man left to succeeding generations, but just what he himself was and how he lived we know little except that he was born about 1620 and died in 1655, had an unusually prominent nose, a quick wit and temper, knew how to handle his blade with rare skill and was always ready to use it. His intellect was keen, his opinions pronounced, his beliefs radical. His writings were of the same character. Moliere may have borrowed from them and Rostand that "Swift's Travels" in Cyrano's "Comic History of the States of the Moon." This is about all we really have regarding the unique Savinien Cyrano de Bergerac.

Availing himself of the present interest in this man, M. Gallet has taken such meagre facts as exist and about them built the story we have before us. It is likely enough to be true and may be so accepted in the absence of anything to the contrary. And in this particular case it does not make any very material difference if the author has drawn freely upon his imagination to fill in the many gaps. We notice he has Cyrano fighting a duel over his famous tragedy, "Agrippine" where is the playright's close friend, Lebret, asserts that he never fought a duel on account of any personal quarrel. However this may be, the author has produced an interesting easy story, full of exciting incident and well calculated to leave a good impression of its subject.

FALLING PRICES AND THE REMEDY.

The heart of the people always rises to the hour and the man. The present hour of financial anxiety certainly has the heart as well as the ear of the nation. The man coming into view as the exponent of it is Lyman F. George, the author of the lively treatise on a subject hitherto treated dismally, but now set forth, unanswerable and irresistible, in a book entitled "Falling Prices and the Remedy."

Mr. George enters the lists of discussion with a noble and chivalrous spirit, armed and equipped with patient and exhaustive study of his subject, and with an abundance of quotations from the highest authorities. He clearly shows that the cries of "overproduction," "improved machinery," "unrestricted immigration," "want of confidence," "department stores," "tariffs and free-trade" are all effects and not causes of the hard times, and when not uttered by the sophistor or scoundrel, are but the chatter of the ignorant and misinformed. He distinctly and impressively points out the cause of falling prices, and then stirringly appeals to the large army of the producers of our national wealth—the farmers, the merchants, the manufacturers, the wage-earners—to unite their forces in a mighty protest, and demand at the polls the remedy. The inertia of indolent and passive non-resistance, so fatal to the reception of truth and the unaroused depth of moral emotion in the nation should be broken and stirred by the magic of Mr. George's enthusiasm and the common-sense of his argument.

Taking his stand on the indisputable ground that we can no more resist or bend to our purpose a natural law than we can construct a star or create a mote in a sunbeam, Mr. George proceeds to demonstrate the inevitable and imperious relation existing between the demand and supply of that which measures the value and regulates the price of all commodities to be thus measured and priced; or, in other words, the relation existing between product on the one hand and the necessary amount of legal tender money to move and exchange it on the other. He argues that the standard of price determines the standard of wage, since all wage is derived from profit; and when profit disappears, capital withdraws from the venture. Therefore, he claims, a generous profit insures a generous wage. He shows, what every one must admit, that for thirty years business has been conducted in this country on a falling market; and he affirms that the cause of this is that during this time the parity of exchange between merchandise and money has not been kept stable. The man holding the merchandise has suffered a notable and irretrievable loss in converting his merchandise into cash. Therefore, demands Mr. George, as our population and productivity have largely increased during the past thirty years, why not add to the circulating medium a corresponding amount necessary to meet that increase?

"So we have!" cries the strident voice of the money trust and the adepts in the art of darkening things that are clear to the open mind.—"So we have! The banks are full of money; there are heaps of idle capital lying all round, waiting good opportunities for investment; but the anarchist repudiators of the West frighten the honest-money investors of the East, who are shocked at such lack of honor in fulfilling solemn promises, and they refuse to let out their money for fear that they will lose their well-merited interest and perhaps their principal.

To this Mr. George would reply "that the money said to be in the banks is not really there;" that "deposits" are not necessarily money; that a bank may have a large show of "deposits" on hand, and at the same time have very little, if any, actual money (that is gold)—as was the case with Gingerly's bank in Philadelphia when it failed, all its gold having been looted by the gold trust, and shipped to Russia's and Germany's war chests. Moreover, this money "in the banks" is not, as a rule, available to a general business man who has debts to pay and no collateral to offer with his note except his merchandise. In short, it is money in circulation which is needed to quicken business and stimulate prices, not money in hoarding—money of a kind which cannot be traded in and cornered and shipped off to Europe. How can seven billions of loans and discounts be liquidated with a few millions of money? Yet the business men of this country hesitate to demand of the government a circulation commensurate with a thirty-five years' increase in population and trade. Instead of having as much as we had then—namely over two billions in active circulation and that with only thirty-two millions of people—we have today only twelve per cent. per capita of what we had then and our standard of price tallies. With Europe buying of us seven million seven hundred thousand bales of cotton while we consume less than three; with Europe dependent on our production of wheat, corn and iron—why should we not be able to sell all this to her at a price which will amply remunerate our oppressed toilers who produce it? This matter of price is always regulated, so say the highest authorities by the amount of legal tender money in circulation. This is the greatest and most efficient weapon which can be wielded by any nation.

This power of legal tender, declares Mr. George, belongs to the people, to the merchants, the farmers, the labor organizations. When they clearly understand its subtle efficiency in shaping and controlling social conditions between the producing and non-producing classes when they comprehend and utilize it, then the plutocracy, the usurers, drones and idle fatteners on the results of other men's labors will have found their Waterloo and a realizing sense of what the decree "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread" means.

In seeking to give our readers a distinct idea of Mr. George's remedy for falling prices we can do no better than lay before them the following brief extracts from his book. On Page 118 he says:

"Since volume and not the material gives or takes from the purchasing power of a dollar and upon this all stand agreed, and as expansion makes the dollar cheap and contraction makes hwQefonojnatsoplnzilswtwatlgit tih it dear the volume of the currency must be adjusted to the population or to the plain exigencies of the actual business of the country."

On Page 119, he says: "The corrective remedy, therefore for the fall of prices and a consequent depression in business is to increase the volume of money, until prices advance to that point for labor and material where a sufficiency of it will be left in the consumers' hands to enable them to relieve the market of accumulated goods."

SMALL POX

IS CAUSING A GREAT SCARE IN SKOWHEGAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Feb. 20.—The smallpox scare, while dying out in Waterville, is just beginning to be appreciated here. During the past few days, it is estimated that at least 700 persons have been vaccinated.

Postmaster Gould has written to Washington for permission to have all mail matter from Waterville fumigated before it is handled here.

Yesterday it was rumored that a French woman living on North avenue had the disease but two physicians who investigated the case say it is erysipelas.

Dr. Spencer of Waterville, who recently accepted a call to the Bethany church here, was to have preached yesterday, but the board of health did not deem it wise and as a result there was no service. Neither was there any at the First Baptist church.

The board of health is taking every precaution possible to prevent the disease from gaining a foothold here and is doing its best to discourage all public gatherings. It has been decided to stop assemblages of crowds at the railroad station and in the lobby of the post office and this rule will take effect at once. The citizens as a general thing, are badly frightened.

HONORABLY DISCHARGED

ARTHUR S. COBURN RETURNS AFTER NINE MONTHS' NAVAL SERVICE.

Arthur S. Coburn of Oak street who enlisted in the navy nine months ago, has returned to Lowell having received his honorable discharge at Norfolk. Mr. Coburn enlisted for one year as a second class machinist and had the misfortune not to see any active service, as the term goes for the service was active work all the time and had to be as conscientiously performed after the cessation of hostilities as before.

The U. S. S. Southery, a collier and supply ship on which he has been serving, has gone out of commission, and all the one-year men received their discharges. They constituted the larger part of the crew and only three reenlisted, although the government would have received them all for there were other ships in port that needed additions to their crews.

The Southery was for a long time off the coast of Cuba and carried supplies into Santiago harbor. She made one trip to Porto Rico. Upon the arrival in Norfolk, the men were allowed to go out and the men all caught cold, for the weather was very cold. Otherwise Mr. Coburn is in fine condition. His discharge shows a very good rating. He was marked 4 8-10 out of a possible 5. He is very glad to return to New England and to Lowell.

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TELEPHONE BILL

Boston Post's Fight for Cheaper Rates.

IS NOW BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE.

State Supervision of Telephone Companies.

The Boston Post is making a great fight in behalf of its telephone bill now before the legislature. The bill has received the endorsement of many boards of trade throughout the country and the support of thousands of petitioners. Its aim is to bring about lower rates by state supervision of the telephone business. The full text of the bill is as follows:

AN ACT

Relative to Charges and Service of Companies Engaged in Telephone Business in this Commonwealth:

Be it enacted by the senate and the house of representatives in general court assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. All matters relating to the rates and service of companies engaged in the telephone business shall be under the supervision and control of the board of gas and electric light commissioners. And said board shall have full power to recommend such change in the telephone rates and service as the public interest may require and to inspect and examine the books, records and accounts of said companies, and to summon witnesses and send for persons and papers at such hearings as may be had before them. And said board shall have the same rights and powers in the premises as it now possesses in reference to similar complaints brought before it regarding gas and electric light companies except as otherwise provided in this act. And no increase in the rates of said companies shall be made without previous approval from said board.

Section 2. Upon the complaint in writing to said board by the mayor of any city or the selectmen of any town in which a telephone company is located or doing business within the limits of the commonwealth or by twenty customers of any telephone company in respect of the prices charged by said company for the use of telephone instruments or for messages sent by telephone or of the quality of the service rendered by such company, the said board shall notify the company of such complaint by leaving a copy thereof at the office of the company and shall thereupon after such notice as the board may deem proper give a public hearing or hearings to such petitioner or petitioners, and after said hearing or hearings may make such recommendations as the board deems just and proper concerning any reduction in the service rendered by said company for the use of telephone instruments or for messages sent by telephone or relating to any improvement that the board deems just and proper in the service rendered by said company and said board shall recommend such further action in the premises as may seem just and proper to said board. The jurisdiction of said board hereby given shall extend to and embrace the prices charged by one telephone company to another telephone company as well as prices charged by any telephone company to any city, town or private customer.

Section 33. Every telephone corporation shall at all times upon request, furnish to said board any information required by it concerning the condition, management and operation of its business and particularly copies of all leases, contracts and agreements with subscribers or other telephone corporations or otherwise to which it is a party, and also with rates, charges and other facilities afforded to the public.

Section 4. The said board shall in its annual report to the legislature include reference to all proceedings that have taken place under the provisions of this act during the period covered by its said report together with such suggestions as to the condition of affairs or the prices charged by telephone companies or the service rendered by such company as the said board may deem appropriate.

MANUFACTURING NEWS

H. C. Perham, treasurer of the Kitson Machine Co., Lowell, accompanied by Mrs. Perham left Boston last week for a trip to southern California to be absent until some time in April.

A. S. Scovil, treasurer of the Tremont and Suffolk mills in Lowell, in company with Timothy Remick, the well known cotton waste dealer of Boston, left last week for a trip around the world. They expect to be absent until July 1 or perhaps later.

Mr. George Gilman of the Lowell Machine Shop, Lowell, Mass., has accepted the position of general foreman of the American Bolt Co.

Mr. C. E. Dow, formerly of the Metallic Drawing Roll Co., Indian Orchard but for the past few years, general manager of the American Bolt Co., Lowell, has resigned that position.

Quarterly dividends have been declared by the following Fall River mills Border City Manufacturing Company, per cent., same as last year; Mechanics' mills 1 per cent.

The New Bedford Poultry association expects to enroll 60 or 70 members by the end of the winter. A fall show will be held. Isn't it about time to hold a poultry show in Lowell?

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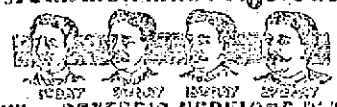

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Lowell, Feb. 13, 1899.

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WEATHER'S FREAK

Sudden Thaw Brings Out Fair Sex.

LIFE RESTORED TO MERRIMACK SQUARE.

Heavy Trucking Greatly Interfered With.

For the few who were going that way yesterday was a gorgeous day overhead but for the thousands who are still on earth, there was much suitering and dismay, for underfoot all was moist and slushy. Still it was a grand day atmospherically, perhaps too warm for comfort and heavy clothing, but there have been worse days and within recall.

It is the weather and some of its conspicuous results of which I write, for on the first good day after a big storm there is invariably a great outpouring of people after several days' confinement in the house and with the crowds out there is always much to interest one on the street.

To begin with, Merrimack Square was crowded Saturday with the fair sex, shopping and gossiping, and from three o'clock until six the square was one great bunch of loveliness. The fair ones had not been out of the house for several days and there was much to be told to friends and acquaintances who happened along.

I know this, for two of the fair creatures of my acquaintance wanting some excuse to stand at the corner and gossip hit upon me as a good excuse and stopped and talked about everyone but myself.

Short skirts, the rainy day, or as the newsboys have it, the sloppy weather variety were much in evidence and most gentlemen did the women without them criticize and "knock" their more fortunate sisters. Judging from appearances about one woman in every five wearing the short skirts escapes without adverse criticism, as I learned by a fifteen minutes' loaf in the square.

"Say, get onto this coming in the short skirt. Isn't she a fright?" whispered one to her companion as a long, gaunt female of certain years, more years than certain, came along with a skirt that was more short than rainy weather.

"H'm! she ought to put a little sugar on her shoes to coax that down," answered her friend.

"It'll make a good petticoat in the spring," added the first.

Then a plump little woman with too much avoirdupois for her slender underpinnings came along and I only listened to hear one of the critics whisper: "Why, the idea! And ankle braces so cheap!" Then I saw Officer Crowley coming along and I moved.

The fair day demonstrated the fact that Lawrence had been dug out, for the Lawrence cars unloaded many visitors in town during the afternoon including genial Nick Cabain, the starter for the Lowell, Lawrence & Haverhill road at the Essex street jumping-off place. Nick was accompanied by his friend, Mr. Holihan, a prosperous wine merchant of Spicketville, a good fellow to see at any time, though particularly after May 1. When Nick sized up Merrimack Square he immediately offered to swap jobs with Starter Lees with a substantial bonus on the side.

On Wednesday the street and railroad shovellers were hustling to clear the square of snow in order to make travel easy. It may seem unnecessary for them to shovel it back again in order to make travel easy.

One of the worst places in the city Friday for teaming was on Market street on that much discussed and equally damned canal bridge. Here there was slush almost a foot deep but with no icy foundation. Every heavy sleigh or pung that got in it had the greatest difficulty in passing over it. A heavily loaded wood pung owned by Daniel Gage, and with four horses attached became stuck on the bridge and it remained stuck for fully an hour despite the efforts of the four horses and about 20 brawny men and the suggestions of the several hundred who gathered around to watch it and give advice. The poor horses tugged hard but the pung wouldn't budge an inch and Mr. Gage who was present toward the finish and much excited, suggested unloading the pung on the sidewalk, and carting it off when the pung had been dragged off the bare place. But Officer Holland, sizing up the load, couldn't see it that way, and luckily for Mr. Gage, with due respect to the crowd. But while they were discussing the matter a long-headed motorman on a car that was held up by the blockade hit upon a plan and by placing a log of wood between the front of the car and the rear end of the load put on the "juice" and pushed the load to a place of safety amid the applause of the spectators.

This incident is interesting for more reasons than one and one is that while thoughtless persons who having passed a mill at night and seen lights in the windows went about to their friends advertising the return of prosperity, the presence of a couple of hundred able-bodied men standing with their hands in their pockets watching a blockade on Central street during the afternoon of a working day proves conclusively that the return of prosperity is still in the distance for while the unemployed abound, there can be no prosperity in this city of hand-to-mouth existence.

The warm weather or the thaw are causing the flooding of many cellars in the side streets where snow is piled high and as yet uncleared but they are too far removed from the square to be considered now. When you go into the cellar for wood and have to use a boathook to get it, you will appreciate the fact.

MORTALITY OF LOWELL.

For the week ending February 18, 1899:

Population, 88,641; total deaths, 32; deaths under five 10, acute lung diseases 4.

Death rate for week ending February 18, 1899, 18.77 against 19.32, 21.12 for previous two weeks.

Infectious diseases reported—For week ending February 18, 1899: Typhoid fever 1, scarlet fever 1, membraneous croup 1, measles, 18.

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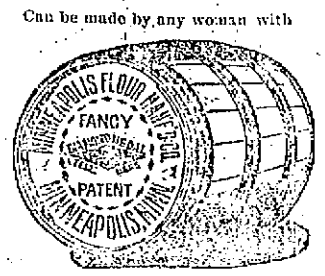

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BOXING GOSSIP.

Martin and Joe Flaherty arrived here from their lucrative trip to Brooklyn Friday night in a high feather over their easy victory. As they stood in Merrimack Square, waiting for the Pawtucketville electric, Martin received the congratulations of many friends who passed and was the center of attraction for an admiring group of newsboys who endeavored to sell the clever little boxer whole armfuls of The Sun "wid yet pitcher in it," as they expressed it. Martin is in good condition and bears no marks of the encounter, for he was struck on the face but once. Martin says that he will begin at once to train for Gardner which bout takes place at Hartford, Conn., on Washington's birthnight, Feb. 22. Though the time is short, Martin is almost at weight, 126 pounds and will have no difficulty in getting to the limit and under it if need be. His outdoor work has been rendered impossible but he will continue his indoor work at the Burkes gym. While we were discussing the McBride bout, Martin said: "McBride was quite easy for me, though he went in hard to win and was remarkably game. I hit him hard enough in the first round to put any ordinary man out but he refused to be put out. When he was finally put out, his manager started to make a kick at the referee, but McBride stopped him, saying: "Martin licked me fairly, so don't kick over it."

"And who do you suppose was on hand to see the fight Monday night, with a whole bunch of money to put on Martin?" put in his brother Joe.

"Give it up," said I.

"Our old antagonist, Tom Moriarty," answered Joe. "He was in a marine's uniform and came up from the Brooklyn navy yard. He looked fine and had plenty of money."

Moriarty is the well known boxer of this city who was always Joe's particular antagonist when in Lowell. A couple of years ago, Tom went west and fought many battles with a majority of victims and during the war enlisted in the marine corps. His cousin and old time sparring partner John Moriarty, better known among the boys as "Chub" has been in the marine corps since the outbreak of the war.

But to return to the Flahertys: In speaking of the Gardner bout, Joe very sagely remarked: "I can't figure out how Gardner can lick Martin. Of course he is a good man and has defeated good men but any man in my opinion who cannot lick Dixon cannot lick Martin."

A Lowell party will take in the fight at Hartford and many more than at first was expected will probably go as it is learned that a train for Boston can be obtained shortly after midnight and thus it is possibly to get back to Lowell early in the morning.

Two attempts have been made recently to get Joe Flaherty and "Spike" Sullivan together but the foxy Spike says:

"Those Flahertys came from Lowell where they make sarsaparilla and the two of them live on it and are good men to let alone." That Spike believes this was evidenced when he fought Martin in Boston for on that occasion he kept as far away from Martin as the ropes would allow.

Tonight's battle at New Haven between Eddy Connolly and Matty Matthews promises much in the way of aggressive ring work by two clever light brigade performers. Matthews is one of Jack Dougherty's stable and for that reason will bear close inspection as the manager generally comes away with the good end of the purse, as for instance, Jack O'Brien against Oscar Gardner the other night. They box twenty rounds at 175 pounds and the winner will be in line to meet Joe Gans, the dandy Baltimore scrapmaker.

If Jack O'Brien wins from Billy Whistler of Philadelphia at New York tonight he will look for a match with George Dixon. O'Brien and Whistler box twenty rounds at 125 pounds.

Reports of the Maher-Conroy battle say that Peter was not in good shape for the go and his inability to stop the West Troy novice gives ground for the belief that he is drifting into the has-been class.

Kid Goulette and Luke Stevens of Buffalo will box at Hamilton, Ont., on Feb. 21.

Jim Popp, the husky Toronto lightweight will box Jack Downey of Brooklyn, twenty rounds at Buffalo, March 6, at 126 pounds.

Charley Burns may meet Charley McKeever of Philadelphia ten rounds in Cincinnati, Feb. 20.

Patsy Sheppard received word from Dick Burge, the "Iron Man" yesterday that he intends coming to this country shortly to take on the Michigan marvel, Kid Lavigne in a lightweight championship levee but will go after Bobby Dobbs hard before leaving England to show that he can trip the colored fighter. Burge writes from London that he is in good shape and sends regards to his Boston friends.

Teddy McGovern and George Munroe will box six rounds at the benefit to be tendered Edward T. Driscoll, the vice president of the Greenwood A. C., on March 1, at Brooklyn.

Oscar Gardner is profiting by the setback he received from Jack O'Brien and is training hard for his go with Martin Flaherty at Hartford on Washington's birthday. The hard-hitting Lowell boy will have the prestige of fighting a winning battle against a good one, his last bout before taking on the Omaha Kid, while the latter will have in mind his defeat at O'Brien's hands. The Kid will need to be in the pink of condition to down Flaherty as he is giving away all kinds of weight—Boston Post.

Bob Fitzsimmons is already preparing for his bout with Jeffries by taking long walks, exercising with dumb bells punching the bag and sparring with his partner, Yank Kenney, each day. Fitz will train more ruggedly when the place of the meeting is fixed.

Eddy Connolly has been matched to box Tom Broderick of Yonkers at Hartford for twenty rounds at 155 pounds the first week in March. Eddy beat the Yonkers lightweight last October in eleven rounds but it proved an interesting bout to witness and they should furnish the nutmeg sports some warm going.

ENGLISH MILLS

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COTTON FACTORY TIMES.

The adjourned conference of employers and operatives' representatives in the cotton spinning trade (medium counts), including reelers and winders, was held in Manchester the past week to further consider the application of the operatives to an increase of wages of 7d. in the pound, as conceded by them in 1893 when the Brooklands agreement was framed, and the mule card and blowing room hands to an increase of 10 per cent. or 2s. in the pound.

At the conference on Monday, Jan. 23, the employers asked for a fortnight's adjournment in order that they might obtain the opinion of their district committee on the operatives' application. These meetings, it is supposed, were held last week. Anyhow, meetings took place at Oldham and Bolton last Friday evening, at which the state of trade was discussed.

At Oldham it is stated that the committee decided to "oppose the application for an advance on the ground that the margin was not as good as it had been," the feeling also being that "the application was premature."

The decision at Bolton was that "considering the small margin of profits yet shown since the improvement in trade began and also considering the bad times through which the cotton concerns had to pass and contend with for some time past, the application for an advance of wages was premature."

It is supposed that similar decisions were come to by the committee in other districts connected with the Employers' Federation. These reports were presented to the meeting of the employers' representatives on Monday. The decisions referred to were in some quarters looked upon as a foregone conclusion, notwithstanding the feeling is still strong that the operatives in the end will secure the desired advance.

Should the employers refuse the advance, it will then remain for the operatives to decide what further action shall be taken. It is probable, however, that the usual month's notice of the advance will be tendered in the respective districts affected by the previous reduction, and in the meantime the operatives will ballot on the question.

Charles Haydock, who for the last 15 years has been one of the trustees of the Bolton and District Card and Blowing Room Operatives' Association, died recently. He was one of the first members of the association, but cannot be considered one of the oldest, as he severed his connection for several years whilst filling the position of overlooker in the mill. He was a collector for the association for about 10 years and was its first representative on the Bolton Trades council. He leaves a widow and three children, two daughters and a son.

T. Harrison, stripper and grinder at the Gladwick Spinning company, Oldham, has been promoted to the position of under carder, in place of C. W. Hilton, who has been appointed carder.

MAYOTTE INQUEST

ABOUT MARCH 1, THE RESULT OF JUDICIAL INQUIRY WILL BE KNOWN.

Judge Hadley in speaking in reference to the Mayotte inquest states there were five or six hundred pages of typewritten matter and he had not himself, as yet, seen the evidence in documentary form. It will first be necessary to complete the documents and then he would have to have sufficient time to consider and digest in order to reach his conclusions. All of that will be a matter of at least a week's time and probably more. Therefore it looks as though it would be on or about the first of March before the public will know the result of the judicial inquiry.

About the Conroy inquest Judge Hadley did not know when there would be anything for publication.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hills have returned from their western trip.

WM. TRUE INDICTED

By the Grand Jury at Cambridge Today.

Indictment Was Also Returned Against Edward B. Murphy—The Men Accused of Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 18.—The Middlesex grand jury brought in its report in Cambridge today. Indictments were returned against Horatio Nelson Hyde, superintendent of the Water Works at Newton, upon the charge of obtaining money under false pretences and embezzlement, and against William T. True, Supt. of Public Buildings in Lowell and Edward B. Murphy also of Lowell, the accusation being obtaining money under false pretences.

No bill has been returned against Dr. Sexton, City Physician of Malden and Henry S. Cardy who were charged with being principal and accessory, respectively, in causing the death of a Malden woman.

A DOUBLE MURDER

Husband Killed His Wife and Daughter.

He Cut Their Throats and Then He Made an Attempt to Take His Own Life—It is Believed That He is Insane.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ROCKLAND, Me., Feb. 18.—Coroner Judkins was summoned to the village of Washington today, near which Mrs. Albert Heysler and her 16-year-old stepdaughter were murdered during the night. Albert Heysler is charged with murdering his wife and the girl by cutting their throats with a razor. Heysler afterwards attempted to commit suicide but was unsuccessful. No reason except temporary insanity, is assigned for the crime. Washington is a small place near the northwestern part of Knox county about 20 miles from Rockland.

DETAILS OF THE CRIME.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Me., Feb. 18.—News was received here early this morning that a horrible tragedy had occurred in the town of Appleton, a small place about three miles east of Washington, some time during the night. Mrs. Albert Heysler, wife of a well known farmer of that section and Miss Tinkham, 16 years of age, a daughter of Mrs. Heysler, were murdered at their home. A warrant has been taken out charging Albert Heysler with the crime. After cutting the throats of his wife and stepdaughter he attempted to end his own existence in a similar manner but his wound is not fatal and although he was badly injured it is thought he will recover. The tragedy was not known by the public until just after daylight this morning.

Heysler sent his 13-year-old daughter to the house of one of his neighbors with a message stating that there had been trouble at his home and asking that some one go to the house. Several of the neighbors questioned the little girl closely and learned that Mrs. Heysler and daughter had been assaulted. On reaching the house the neighbors, notwithstanding the statements made by the little girl were not prepared for the sight which confronted them when they entered the Heysler domicile. Heysler was found in one room with his throat gashed and himself covered with blood which he had evidently attempted to wash off, but his condition was so weak that he was hardly able to move.

In the bedroom of Mrs. Heysler, the latter was found lying in bed with her throat cut. She was dead and on the floor near the bed lay the body of Miss Tinkham, her daughter. She had been killed by the same method, which was employed by the farmer to end his wife's life. The bed clothing and floor of the room were covered with blood and there was evidence that a struggle had been made by the daughter.

Those who first saw Heysler think that after failing to kill himself by cutting his throat, that he attempted to finish the work by taking poison, thought to be paris green.

The authorities of Knox county after considerable delay were notified of the murders and the warrant was promptly issued for the arrest of Heysler. A message was sent to High Sheriff Nelson Hilmer of Rockland and one to Coroner Judkins of the same town. The Heysler house was taken charge of by a local officer and at noon the arrival of the sheriff and coroner were awaited. The exact cause of the tragedy is not known here but it is understood that the domestic relations at the farm house were not of the most harmonious nature.

The generally accepted theory is that Heysler became temporarily insane as the result of domestic troubles. When the bodies were found they were quite cold and from their appearance it is thought the murders occurred about midnight.

Mrs. Heysler had been twice married the murdered girl having been the daughter of her first husband. Heysler had one child, a daughter of 15 years, who escaped his murderous work.

Mr. Lawrence Buckley, a well known Royal Arcanumite of North Billerica, is confined to his home by an injury to his spine, received while lifting at his work in the Talbot mills a few days since.

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SCHOOL TOPICS

Discussed by Superintendents at Annual Convention.

SUPT. WHEELER ELECTED PRESIDENT.

The School Tax Was Under Discussion.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 18.—At Lorimer hall, Tremont temple, yesterday morning, was opened the 29th meeting of the school superintendent's state association, the president, W. H. Sanderson of Bridgewater in the chair.

The subject of discussion for the morning session was "Psychology for Teachers," the first speaker being Prof. Hugo Munsterberg of Harvard university. The best results, he said, are to be obtained from observations made by the child in its natural state, and the artificial methods can be of little value. To obtain the best results, the observer should be a specialist in child study. There is no doubt that psychology in all its branches is of value to the teacher, but its value is limited. The better knowledge a teacher has of a child's mind, the better is he qualified to teach the child.

Principal A. G. Boyden of Bridgewater normal school was the next speaker. He said the teacher must have a thorough knowledge of child nature. Teaching is a spiritual process. The art of teaching further implies an appreciation of human nature.

The last speaker of the morning was Mr. John T. Prince, agent of the state board of education.

The first half hour of the afternoon session was devoted to business matters. The election of officers resulted as follows: Supt. U. G. Wheeler of West Springfield, president; Supt. J. M. Norcross of Weymouth, vice president, Supt. J. A. Pitman, secretary treasurer.

The business meeting was followed by a discussion on the report of the committee on legislative enactment. Then followed a discussion regarding the temperance question in relation to schools. Resolutions concerning several bills before the legislature were laid on the table.

Mr. J. W. McDonald spoke on "Distribution of wealth in the state and the effect on municipal tax rates for the support of schools" giving a table of figures showing the valuations in the state, including each city and town. The value per pupil in the state, average is $7830, Boston, $15,717, Brookline, $25,158.

He showed that the size of a city or town does not determine its ability to support its schools but its wealth. A man living in a small town is obliged to pay a larger tax on his property for the support of schools than the man in the larger cities.

The speaker believed that the state should take one-third of the cost of the tax rate for schools and let the towns bear two-thirds of the expense.

Boston, with one-fifth of the state population, gets one-third of the tax and Brooklyn, with two-thirds of one one-hundredth of the population, gets one-twentieth of the tax. The present system encourages the growth of certain rich residential towns, where the rich escape their share of taxation for educating the children of the state.

"If it is argued," said Mr. McDonald, "that the proposed tax would burden Boston, it may be answered that Boston is now burdening the suburban towns and we are only asking to have returned a part of the extortion. We are told that Boston will oppose this tax. The proposed tax is in accord with every reason that justifies taxation for public schools—the taxation of the property of all, whether they have children or not, for the education of the children of all, whether they own property or not."

LOUBET ELECTED

As President of the French Republic.

RADICALS OR SOCIALISTS FAVORED HIM.

Melino Had Support of the Conservatives.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—M. Loubet has been elected president of the French Republic. The National Assembly met at Versailles at 1 o'clock this afternoon. M. Loubet, president of the senate, declared the sitting open amid the applause of the Leftists, during which M. Loubet proceeded to draw for tellers. The voting began with the letter D, M. Dousette casting the first ballot. M. Loubet was elected by 483 votes, against 270 votes cast for M. Meline.

M. Dupuy, it was announced this morning, had definitely declined to enter the contest for the presidency and the struggle then seemed to be confined to Messieurs Loubet and Meline. The Figaro, however, considered the chances of M. de Freycinet good.

A manifestation against Loubet and in favor of Meline occurred last evening before the republican club in the Rue de Grammont. The League of Patriots announced that it intended to do all in its power to prevent the election of Loubet. The radical press favored the election of M. Loubet who was also supported by the socialist paper while the conservative and moderate journals endorsed the candidacy of M. Meline.

Various political groups held meetings at noon and M. Cochery announced that M. Meline had definitely withdrawn his candidacy. The Nationalists and anti-Semites decided not to vote for M. Loubet. The assembly met at one o'clock, M. Loubet declaring the sitting open amid the applause of the Leftists during which M. Loubet proceeded to draw for tellers. The voting began with the letter D, M. Dousette, moderate republican, representing in the chamber of deputies the fourth district of Lille, cast the first ballot.

When M. Paul Deroulede, organizer of the league of patriots, and deputy representing the second district of Angouleme voted he attempted to speak from the tribune where the urns were placed but M. Loubet forbade him doing so. This called for the protests from the Rightists and applause from the Leftists. M. Deroulede, however, persisted in speaking and resisted the ushers and others who rushed up to expel him from the tribune.

M. Drumont, anti-Semite, representing the first division of Algiers also attempted to speak and a great commotion followed during which cries of "Down with anarchy!" were heard.

In the meantime the voting continued and at 2.40 p. m., the ballot was completed. While the checking was in progress the members of the assembly left the hall and assembled in the galleries and corridors where they discussed the chances of election. M. Meline loudly announced that he had voted for M. Loubet.

Rev. C. L. Merriam of the Highland Congregational church, Lowell, is to preach for Pastor Alevis at Townsend next Sunday.

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Relieves Pain

From Saturday's Late Editions.

VISITED THE BOOTT

State Inspector of Factories Attempts Investigation

OF A COMPLAINT OF OVERWORK

But Obtains No Evidence of it.

A state inspector of factories yesterday visited the weave rooms of the Boott mills and questioned the operatives as to the alleged abuse complained of by a former employ of the weave room. The inspector closely interrogated the help on the point taken by complaint that the looms of a certain weave room nearest to Bridge street had for some time been running during the noon hour by the women weavers at the request of their employers and in direct violation of the law which says women and children shall work only 58 hours a week. Although the weavers are unwilling to work extra, the complainant alleged, they must submit to the inevitable discharge if they refuse to do so. The overhead steam which issues from an open valve at one end of the weave room, No. 6 it it said, has also been complained of.

When the state inspector visited the rooms yesterday and inquired if overwork had been done, all answered in the negative. It is said however that the inspector will again visit the rooms and the next time he comes it will be during the noon hour, when the looms are alleged to have been run. The inspector will also have his attention called to the sanitary accomodation which is said to be in very poor condition.

IN CONGRESS TO-DAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Eulogies upon life and public services of the late Representative Northway, of Ohio, were set for 2 o'clock to-day in the House.

A bill was passed for the relief of George A. Dickel and Co., of Nashville, Tenn.

A senate bill was passed authorizing the terms of the United Court for the Southern District of Mississippi to be held hereafter at Biloxi.

The House then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Naval appropriation bill. The pending question being the point of order raised by Mr. Mudd (Rep., Md.) against the paragraph of the bill providing for a committee to consider and report upon a general plan for the rearrangement and re-construction of the buildings at the Annapolis Naval Academy and suspending until that report is made the appropriations for new buildings made on the last naval bill.

Miss Katie Coughlin of Wilson street, North Billerica, has recovered from her recent severe illness.

Mrs. Walter H. Parker and Mrs. Harriet A. Cole leave for Jamaica on Wednesday for a four week's sojourn.

Miss Bessie Stevens is convalescing after a four weeks' severe illness.

The five o'clock edition of The Sun is on sale at the Union station news stand in Boston.

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NEW SHOE STRIKE

The Latest One Reported From Haverhill

AT THE CHESLEY & RIGG SHOP.

Sixty Trained Workmen are Out.

The boot and shoe industry seems for the past year to be in the throes of an epidemic of strikes owing to the unreasonable attitude of the employers toward the employed. Haverhill stirred the trouble. Then came Lowell with the strike at Stover's which is still on. Marlboro was next and now it appears Haverhill is undergoing another according to the following from the Haverhill Gazette:

The labor troubles in the shoe district do not seem to be at an end, as another strike was inaugurated late yesterday afternoon when 60 returned workmen, employed in the contract shop of Allen G. Twombly, formerly owned by Chesley & Rugg, on Washington street, left their benches.

The features connected with this the latest trouble are somewhat out of the ordinary, inasmuch as the new proprietor took the initiative and precipitated the conflict. Agent Donovan of the shoe council visited the shop yesterday morning and introduced a new price-list for Mr. Twombly's inspection and made arrangements for a conference to be held late in the afternoon. The meeting was of a pleasant nature, and matters were allowed to rest, as far as the agent was concerned, until the conference was held. Yesterday afternoon, however, Mr. Twombly gave notice to four teams that their services were no longer needed, and gave as a reason "lack of work." This action taken by the new proprietor was resented by the remainder of the workmen, who decided, with the exception of a half dozen, to quit their jobs, in sympathy with those who were discharged. The men proceeded to the labor headquarters and there held a discussion of the situation.

Agent Donovan was apprised of the facts of the case and went at once to the factory. Both Mr. Chesley and Mr. Twombly were interviewed, and the new price-list was discussed. According to the agent's statements Mr. Chesley had no serious objections to the new prices embraced in the document, but Mr. Twombly believed them to be too exorbitant. The difference between the new list and the old is only about a quarter of a cent in advance, averaging the whole, according to the statements of Agent Donovan, and is called very fair by the union officials and the men.

The workmen held the opinion that the men were discharged yesterday afternoon for the purpose of testing the feeling and strength of the union, and they all determined to fight the matter out to the end.

Another incident in connection with the trouble comes to light through the statements made by one of the strikers. It seems that after the eight men were discharged by Mr. Twombly a workman named Cass became engaged in an altercation with him on the matter, and was ordered to leave the building. According to the story told the man refused to do this until he had received the wages due him for his work. Mr. Twombly refused to settle with Cass, and, with Mr. Chesley, accompanied him to the door, where he left the building. Agent Donovan told a Gazette man last night that this incident had no direct bearing on the strike, as the men had received their instructions previously to leave if any of their number were discharged which was done.

The situation to-day is somewhat changed and to use the words of Agent Donovan, "has resolved itself into a systematic strike." The men are determined to fight, and will use the power of all local unions to aid them.

There was a lively meeting held by the strikers and sympathizers at the labor headquarters this morning and the situation was reviewed at length. The men are unanimous in their intention to stand by their colleagues who were discharged and will not return to their benches unless all are reinstated.

There is little prospect that this will be done, however. Both Mr. Chesley and Mr. Twombly have intimated that there was no trouble over the price list and the difficulty seems to have been transformed into a hitch between the firm and the men over the trouble in the factory Friday afternoon. It is said that all "second" orders will be cancelled and that the works on the "firsts" will be completed and cleaned up as rapidly as possible with the aid of the workmen remaining in the factory.

Mr. Chesley said there were about 10 teams still at work in the room but the labor men dispute this and state that there are not more than eight or ten men remaining at their benches.

Mr. Chesley has authorized the following statement in defence of the fact that his scale of wages throughout the factory was much above the average paid by local firms: "In the factory last week there were employed 355 persons of both sexes, per Tpilku Br.danc'mf of both sexes. The amount of wages paid was a little over $4000. The average wages paid to each person in the factory (not including foremen or employes in the stitching room) was between $11 and $12. In the stitching room the average per person amounted to $10.50."

This statement was shown at the labor headquarters and was not denied. Pickets were placed on duty on Washington street this morning for the purpose of keeping watch for new workmen, should they attempt to obtain jobs in either the Wadleigh shop or under Mr. Twombly and should any be detected they will be persuaded to keep away.

Agent Donovan went to the Chesley & Rugg building this morning and held a brief interview with Mr. Chesley but nothing of importance was done relative to the adjustment of the strike.

This noon the strikers repaired to the Chesley & Rugg building and carried in their slips for the work performed by them up to the time when they left their benches and tomorrow they will receive the money which is due them for their services.

REPORT OF DEATHS.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1899.

10—Timothy Sullivan, 64, exposure.
Katie F. Garvin, 10, heart disease.
11—Joseph Doucette, 23, strangulated hernia.
Mary Feeley, 22, heart disease.
12—William H. Kaulbach, 81, bro. pneumonia.
Abigail V. Dearborn, 62, myocarditis.
Joseph C. Cudworth, 65, abscess.
Adeline McPherson, 39, cer. hemorrhage.
13—Celenise Surprenant, 11, septicaemia
Kate Duffy, 21, phthisis.
Eva Wysiseyke, 1 mo., convulsions.
14—Bridget Applebee, 55, disease of heart.
Emma L. Jewett, 54, pneumonia.
Marie H. Gareau, 10, leucocythemia.
Flore Bibeault, 9 mos., gastric enteritis.
Andrew Saustaield, 2 mos., inanition
Lottie Allison, 2 mos., intestinal obstruction.
15—Archie F. Dudley, 71, paralysis.
Sarah Deering, 79, heart disease.
Alonzo K. Preston, 55, myocarditis.
Alfred M. Beede, 19, pneumonia.
Mary A. Curran, 39, heart disease.
Mary F. Hogan, 20, phthisis.
16—Edmond Burke, 23, acute endocarditis.
Alice Coulliard, 5, pulm. oedema.
Alice F. Ash, 4, pulm. phthisis.
Caroline Goddard, 4 mos., gastritis.
George A. Campbell, 14 days, infantile.
17—John Green, 49, myelitis.
—— Curran, 3 days, atelectasis.
Catherine O'Malley, 1 day, infantile debility.
18—James Lally, 1 mo., convulsions.

GIRARD P. DADMAN, Clerk.

POTTERY ART

JAPAN LEADS THE WORLD IN MANY IMPORTANT ARTS.

Prof. E. S. Morse, of Salem, who is a noted authority on art, spoke before the Society of Arts and Crafts recently on "The Industrial Arts of Japan."

Prof. Morse described pottery making in Japan. No other people make so many varieties of pottery or exhibit such wonderful delicate workmanship. Their potter's wheels are given a whirl by hand, instead of being run clumsily by foot. A potter in Japan is a man of high social standing and distinction. His workshop is a beautiful garden, kept scrupulously clean.

Prof. Morse described bronze making. In the case of the exquisite bronze peacocks, the artist sits in his lovely garden, with one or two live peacocks walking around, and models in beeswax, kept soft by the sun. When the model is finished, it is covered gradually with layers of clay that harden, and then the whole thing is built about into solid clay. The clay is fired, the wax runs out and bronze is poured in.

In lacquer work the Japanese are exceedingly skilful. They obtain the gold dust for gilding by inking gold leaf with soft glue made from deer's horn. The glue becomes as brittle as glass. The mass is broken into pieces and these are melted, the gold sinking to the bottom of the pan. In the finer lacquer work, an artist will go out to sea to put on a coating, in order to avoid dust.

Sometimes only one coat a year is put on a box. At the end of several years gold dust is sprinkled into the final layer, and when it is dry the box is polished.

The lecturer said the Japanese were exceptional among all the peoples of the world on account of their facility in adopting the best things of every country without in the least permitting them to influence their national character or patriotism.

MEET MONDAY

FALL RIVER MILL MEN WILL ELECT OFFICERS AND MAY DISCUSS THE WAGE SITUATION.

The Manufacturers' association of Fall River, will meet on Monday afternoon to elect officers. The note of Secretary Whitehead will be presented and discussed.

This statement was given out Saturday morning by Secretary Rounseville, who said that no action would be taken until that time.

As far as known there is no plan proposed as to a disposition of the letter of the operatives. The executive committee is said to have no report to make and no recommendation to extend. It will simply present the note and let the association take action.

Cloth is firm at 2 1-2 cents. The market was not marked up Saturday to 2 5-8 cents, as reported and a member of the selling committee was very vigorous in his comment on this statement made without anything like authority.

The sales this week will foot up 400,000 pieces. Of this amount it is said that 150,000 are print goods and the rest odds. Some of the wide cloths have advanced considerably over the basis for prints. It is expected that there will be rise in the quotation at any time as standard goods are rather shy. If any buyer wishes a fair amount of extras and wants them right away he will have to bid up to get them.

POSTAL CLERKS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

The Merrimack Valley association of Postal Clerks met in the Franklin House in Lawrence yesterday afternoon and elected the following officers:

President, J. J. Murray of Lawrence; first vice president, Calvin O. Battrick of Haverhill; second vice president, L. H. Carpenter of Manchester, N. H.; third vice president, Charles R. Davis of Salem; secretary, George Carlisle Stuart of Lawrence; treasurer, Chas. E. Mahoney of Lowell.

A banquet and discussion followed the election of officers.

MILITARY NOTES

PRIVATE LANE OF COMPANY M IS STILL IN CARNEY HOSPITAL.

Second Lieut. Fred D. Cutcliff of Co. M, Sixth regiment, N. G. S. M., received his discharge from the regiment last week.

Arthur F. Salmon, secretary of the soldiers' relief committee, went to the Carney hospital, Boston, recently and saw "Chub" Lane, the Lowell boy who enlisted in Company M during the Spanish war and was brought home sick on the Bay State. Lane has been in the hospital since last August and has been so sick that he was at one time given up to die. He told Mr. Salmon that from September to December his mind was a blank; he had absolutely no knowledge of what had passed during that time or of what his condition was. But "Chub" is now on the mending hand and Mr. Salmon is of the opinion that he will get out of the hospital some time next week.

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A Providence dispatch says cotton factory operatives' wages in Rhode Island are to be raised generally before long by all the large manufacturers.

The United States' Cotton company, one of the oldest concerns of the Blackstone valley, set the ball a-rolling in this direction. It has announced that on and after to-day wages will be restored to the rate paid a couple of years ago.

This increase of wages, or restoration will amount to 10 or 12 per cent. on an average. The restoration is a voluntary act on the part of the company, and was due to a promise made to the operatives, and has not been brought about because of any agitation on the part of the employes.

When, a few years ago, the depression in the cotton business came, which finally led to a shutting down of mills in the Blackstone valley in order to bring about a curtailment of product, the United States' Cotton company arranged with the operatives that, if they would accept a cut down of wages, the mills would run as long as possible, and when times got better the old wages would be given them.

The cotton business is now booming, the mills are selling rapidly their goods in stock and are running fast to supply new orders.

It is said that Robert Knight, the cotton king, and the Goddard Brothers will soon increase wages, too.

HUGGING NO HARM

BROOKLYN PASTOR SO TESTIFIES AS AN EXPERT ON COURTSHIP.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 20.—"Mr. Jones, as I understand it, was courting the young lady in question and might have hugged her. But I don't see much harm in that. He is unmarried and has a right to court a young lady if he sees fit."

In these words uttered by the Rev. Dr. Robert Bruce Hall, pastor of the Greenwood Baptist church, clerical approval is given to those acts of tenderness between courting couples which are the special abomination of old maids and others to whom wooing and its side issues are in themselves reprehensible.

It had been regarded as an unwritten law that these sweet mutual manifestations should be confined to those whose courting had reached the engagement stage, and the letting down of the bars by the Brooklyn divine will doubtless be greeted with delight by many.

The decision was rendered by the Rev. Mr. Hall when he was called upon to tell about the trial of the Rev. E. Mont Jones, before a council of Baptist ministers, today, charged with improper conduct toward Miss Georgiana Rhodes of Freeport. Mr. Jones was kept away from the hearing by the snow storm.

Another body before which Preacher Jones was haled on the same charge was the arbitration committee of the Odd Fellows' lodge of Freeport, of which he is chaplain. That committee held four secret sessions, and it is said that its ultimate finding has been a sealed verdict of acquittal, which will be handed in to the lodge to-day.

The alleged assault that Miss Rhodes complained of is said to have occurred in Richmond Hill in June, 1897, at a time when the young woman was nursing her sick mother.

BARBERS' BILL

HEARING TO-MORROW AT THE STATE HOUSE.

City Messenger Fagan, treasurer of the Lowell Barbers' union, has received a letter from Representative William J. Quigley of North Chelmsford, stating that the barbers' bill which was referred to the committee on health, will come up for a hearing to-morrow. Arrangements have been made to have a delegation of Lowell union barbers present at the hearing.

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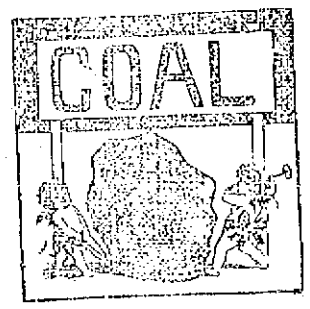

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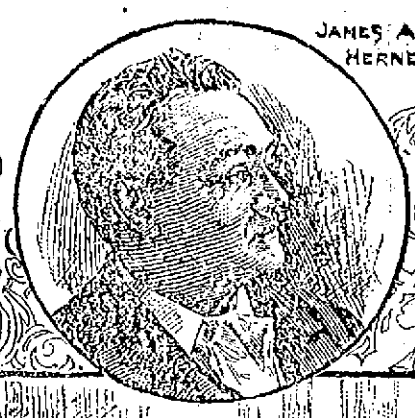

JAMES A. HERNE.

SCENE FROM "THE THREE DRAGOONS"

MARGUERITE LEMMON.

LINDA DA COSTA.

LOUISE BEAUDET.

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SMITH and De Koven's new opera, "The Three Dragoons," is not, as seems to be very generally supposed, based upon the famous Dumas story. In fact, the Smith dragoons are of a very different type from the famous Dumas musketeers. Mr. Smith has used his heroes as funmaking vehicles, and therefore one of them is an Irishman, one a Scotchman and one an Englishman. They are all to inherit from a wealthy Portuguese hidalgo provided certain conditions with reference to the marriage of a certain girl are fulfilled. The low comedy is mainly supplied by an Irish servant of one of the officers and the man's two followers, one of whom is a dumb Scotchman and the other a deaf Englishman. Then there is the cook of the king of Portugal, impersonated by Jerome Sykes in an oily and unconvincing manner.

Messrs. Smith and De Koven, warned by several previous experiences, have evidently thrown worthy effort to the winds and have endeavored simply to produce a work which should amuse if not instruct. But they have not exactly succeeded, for Mr. De Koven's songs, with possibly one or two exceptions, will never be whistled by the street gamins, and Mr. Smith's few witty lines are most of them entitled to respect and consideration solely by reason of their age. It is of course worse than foolish for makers of comic opera to attempt to educate the public up to something it does not want, but it is also possible to concoct a work of this sort which shall be entertaining and at the same time commendable. No one who remembers the early Gilbert and Sullivan operas can question this statement.

The regrettable thing about "The Three Dragoons" is that it will add neither to the popularity nor reputation of its makers with any class of theater goers, for, while the sop is thrown to the rabble, there is not enough of it to produce a satisfying effect. It is likely, however, that more humorous dialogue and a little more horseplay will be put into it if its promoters be wise, for as it stands, while it is a good many miles removed from even the suspicion of failure, it is not likely to enjoy the long vogue which is necessary nowadays, owing to the enormous cost of production, to show a profit on a comic opera venture.

Of the performers, Miss Marguerite Lemmon, a comparative newcomer in this city, carried off the honors. She sings well and is a pretty figure, though her acting is still a trifle stiff. Linda Da Costa was as dainty as ever and with her small voice sang the French clock ditty charmingly. A cake walk, with songs of all nations, allotted to Richard F. Carroll, was unfortunately the hit of the evening, although it had no more right to be in the opera than Mephistopheles would have to be in heaven, but it served to show that Messrs. Smith and De Koven were not wrong when they proceeded upon the theory that the public wants the veriest nonsense in what is now called comic opera.

What a jump from "The Three Dragoons" to "Rev. Griffith Davenport," which is now holding forth at the Herald Square! This is a dramatization of Helen H. Gardener's novel, "An Unofficial Patriot," and the result demonstrates that, while a book which deals principally with the atmosphere of a certain locality and makes a study of peculiar local conditions may be a huge success, a play requires a great deal more to win the favor of the theater going public even now, when quiet methods in the recital and acting of a dramatic vehicle are regarded as almost prerequisites to favor.

In "Shore Acres" this quality made the piece a great money winner and gave the author, Mr. Herne, the reputation which enabled him to get a respectful hearing on Broadway for "Rev. Griffith Davenport." Atmosphere made "Shore Acres," but it unmakes "Rev. Griffith Davenport." The reason is simple, too, to any one who has watched the trend of American theatricals. Mr. Herne has evidently attributed the success of "Shore Acres" almost solely to the fact that it contained lots of atmosphere, and, proceeding on that theory, he has put so much of it into "Rev. Griffith Davenport" that he has made it a listless, unwieldy sort of thing, whereas in "Shore Acres" there was a strong story dramatically told, the coloring being only the background of the picture.

The real dinner in "Shore Acres" and the favor with which it was received may have prompted Mr. Herne to introduce a child in "Davenport" for the sole purpose of enabling him to kiss her, thereby, as he may have imagined, emphasizing the traits of the character of the circuit rider. But there he made a great mistake, for, while the former undoubtedly increased the charm of the play, the latter is a cheap piece of theatrical redundancy. "Rev. Griffith Davenport" may, with or without change, be transformed into a profitable venture, but if it should be, it will greatly surprise nearly every person in this city who has seen it. As a character sketch and a reflex of the conditions prevailing in Virginia immediately before the civil war it may be called a success. As a play, however, I should call it a regrettable failure, despite the magnificent acting of Mr. Herne and the members of his excellent company, whose sole offense is a series of awful and multicolored alleged southern accents with which every one of the players seems to feel bound to struggle.

"Mlle. Fifi," a farce comedy from the French, has taken the place of "The Turtle" at the Manhattan theater. It is controlled, like its unsavory predecessor, by the managers of the theater which it is exploited. The effort has apparently been made, according to nearly all the critics, to out-Turtle "The Turtle," and, according to the same authorities, they have succeeded in their more or less laudable effort. The character which gives greatest offense in "Mlle. Fifi" is the one which is allotted to Miss Louise Beaudet. Miss Beaudet is one of the most talented women on the stage, and there is certainly no one who possesses greater versatility. She has been highly successful in almost every branch of theatrical effort, not excepting tragedy and comic opera. That she should have been selected for a part, therefore, which was certain to bring down upon her head the abuse of critics because of the very excellence of her impersonation is very unfortunate.

Now that "Mlle. Fifi" has apparently "caught on" in its own peculiar way it will be instructive to speculate upon its successor. There is one consolatory reflection still possible, and that is that any manager who may take a thing like "The Turtle" as a starter and then set out to improve upon it in the way of immorality in each succeeding production is doomed to certain failure, for it is so very close to the limit that the police-interference-point must soon be reached.

"All things come to him who waits," even unpleasant things. Charles H. Hoyt, the man who created a new type of entertainment in this country, has written probably a score of farces. Until recently he had never been responsible for a failure, and the number of his emphatic successes was almost as great as the number of the plays which he had turned out. His nearest approach to a failure was "A Runaway Colt," and most of his admirers were of the opinion that that piece was as good as some others of his which had lasted for seasons, and that it only failed to "make good" by reason of the fact that in it Hoyt endeavored to make a bad actor of a very good baseball player, Adrian C. Anson, then manager of the Chicago team.

But Hoyt has been patiently or impatiently waiting, and at last he knows what it is to have a real failure on his hands; not one of those things that fool you by dawdling along, but a real, aggressive on-the-minute failure. The name of this freak play is "A Dog in the Manger," and one week after it was produced it was decided by the author and his partner to take it off. It is possible that Hoyt might have undertaken the "whipping into shape" process, which all of his farces have experienced, but his health is so poor that "A Dog in the Manger" was permitted to go on record with the distinction of being the only failure ever written by Charles H. Hoyt.

There prevails a very general impression that the skirt dancer is a thing of the past. This may be so with reference to the vast number of more or less young women who when every other means of livelihood fails take up that branch of the vaudeville business as a thing that anybody can do. All that these folks seem to regard as necessary is an outfit consisting of a few electric lamps, black back and side cloths and a few dresses of diaphanous material ornamented with some silver braid or a few pounds of spangles. Names are then found for the several dances, all of which are substantially the same, and the act is ready to be booked.

Of course there are several of these people in this country who are real dancers. These are constantly endeavoring to improve their acts and to make changes which will at least give the appearance of novelty. But in the main they go on doing the same thing month after month and year after year without a thought of anything new, depending upon Loie Fuller to originate for them effects which may be reproduced without great expense.

If these so called dancers would only peer beneath the surface they would soon learn that Loie Fuller does not continue to draw an immense salary because of her name, as they assert, but because no art or effect is ever so good that she does not try to improve upon it or to get up something absolutely new. A case in point: She has had for a long time a very profitable engagement in Paris at the Folies Bergeres. A certain production in London was not doing very well, and its managers went to Paris, paid Loie Fuller much more than the Parisians could afford and got her into their show. She has more than doubled the receipts, and even though skirt dancing may be dead in a general way it would seem that as applied to Loie Fuller it is still a very live issue.

Arthur Crispin

New York.

Intercollegiate Cricket.

The Intercollegiate Cricket association has appointed a committee, comprising R. S. Holland of Harvard, W. A. Evans of Haverford college and O. Paul of the University of Pennsylvania, to arrange an international game with the colleges of Canada this year. It was expected that Yale and Princeton would join in time to take part in the championship schedule of games of the season. The fixtures have been arranged, however, without them. The schedule is as follows:

May 16 and 17.—Harvard university against University of Pennsylvania, at Boston.

May 19 and 20.—University of Pennsylvania against Haverford college, at Philadelphia.

May 26 and 27.—Harvard university against Haverford college, at Boston.

Haverford college won the championship last year, but in the final game neither J. A. Lester nor D. H. Adams played for Harvard, although both were in residence there.

Great Relay Race Meet.

The Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania will give an intercollegiate relay race meeting on Saturday, April 29, open to all the colleges and universities of the United States and Canada. There will be three races to determine the college championship of America. One race will be over a mile course and the second will be a two mile race, concluding with one of four miles. There will be no entrance fees, and the teams will consist of four men each. An effort will be made to arrange the colleges in groups of nearly equal strength. The first group will be composed of Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Pennsylvania.

PILLSBURY'S CHESS RECORD.

Harry N. Pillsbury, the American chess champion, was born Dec. 5, 1872, in Somerville, Mass., which happens also to be the home of Charles F. Barker, the recognized American checker champion.

The following is the record made by the champion in match and tournament play:

1893—New York, impromptu, unplaced; Lasker, first.

1893—New York, masters' tourney, first prize; Hodges, second.

1894—New York, masters' tourney, unplaced; Steinitz, first.

1895—Hastings, international, first prize; Tschigorin, second.

1895-6—St. Petersburg, quadrangular, third prize; Lasker, first.

1896—Nuremberg, international, third prize with Tarrasch; Lasker, first.

1896—Budapest, international, third prize; Tschigorin, first.

1898—Vienna, international, second prize; Tarrasch, first.

1892—Boston, versus H. N. Stone; won by 5 to 1.

1892—Boston, versus J. F. Barry; won by 5 to 1.

1898—Vienna, versus D. English; drawn (five drawn games).

1897—Brooklyn, versus J. W. Showalter; won by 10 to 3 (United States championship).

1898—New York, versus J. W. Showalter, won by 7 to 3 (United States championship).

Pillsbury is pre-eminently a tournament and match player, but in addition to this is rated as among the cleverest of the masters in the different forms of exhibition chess. As a blindfold player he has few equals and is the peer of Blackburne, the famous Englishman, long considered to be the highest exponent of the art.

Pillsbury's conduct of the games when blindfolded is always remarkably fine. He rarely misses his way and evolves combinations well nigh as deep as though played over the board. The average number of games thus played by him at the same time is six or eight, but he has played as high as 10 and 12 successfully.

Sir Henry Irving carries with him on his tours his own tea—a fine Chinese variety that comes in silk sacks. He has his own teakettle, and after ordering hot water, sugar and rolls he attends to the making of the tea himself.

SPORTSMEN'S SHOW.

Great Convention of Lovers of Outdoor Sports—Some Novel Aquatic and Other Features of the Exhibition.

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New York will be the Mecca of all true sportsmen during the first week of March. Those whose business or other interests will compel them to be absent from the metropolis at that time will have their eyes turned in that direction and in spirit at least be present at the sportsmen's show to be held at Madison Square Garden March 2-11.

Of course the primary object of the exhibition, like the bicycle show, will be to benefit the trade and the concerns who deal in the various implements and accoutrements that sportsmen need in the pursuit of their favorite pastimes. Dealers and manufacturers of all sorts of implements used by the hunter, the fisherman, the canoeist, the yachtsman or the devotee of field sports will display their goods.

But the exhibits of guns, rods, canoes, rackets, cameras, golf and other apparatus for games will not be found tame or uninteresting, as it might seem to the uninitiated. The visitor, moreover, unless he be interested in them, which, if he be an out and out sportsman, he surely will be, need look at none of these things. All sorts of interesting sights and events have been devised to attract and amuse visitors.

The immense main floor of the Garden, instead of being given up this year to trade exhibits, will be devoted to features showing life in the woods and forests and other things interesting to sportsmen.

The main entrance will be through an immense archway of greenery underlaid with tanbark, the whole so planned that at first the visitor will imagine he is entering a huge forest. Passing in, he will come upon a rustic bridge. This will lead to a small island, surrounded by water about ten feet broad. The islet will contain a typical camp, with log cabins and tents and their surroundings, in the North woods, while on the water will be small boats and launches of all sorts.

In the center of the Garden will be a miniature forest. It will be a model game park and will contain live specimens of buffalo, moose, caribou, elk, deer, antelope and other large game animals most prized by sportsmen.

The animals which will be exhibited have been specially collected for this show by Dr. Heber Bishop of Boston, vice president of the National Sportsmen's association, who has charge of that department. Dr. Bishop has recently returned from a hunting and collecting expedition through Maine, New Brunswick and Quebec in quest of rare animals. He has got together a collection of game animals such as were never before seen in any exhibition in this country.

During his tour Dr. Bishop had the luck to shoot one of the largest bull moose ever brought out of the woods. Dr. Bishop bagged the huge creature in the wilds of New Brunswick. He has had it stuffed and mounted, and it will be on exhibition at the show. This wonderful moose is 13 feet 3½ inches long from his nose to his hind hoofs and stands 6 feet 7 inches high. His antlers spread 60 inches and have 21 points, and he weighed as he fell between 1,200 and 1,300 pounds. He is the largest moose ever killed in the southwest Miramichi water, the previous record being 68 inches spread.

In another part of the building will be a game fish aquarium, around which fishermen will congregate, and, pointing out particularly good sized specimens of the species they delight to angle for, they will tell the credulous listeners how much larger were the fish they nearly caught last season. Each story will be eclipsed by the yarn of the next man, until the astonished layman will retreat with eyes as round and gaping as those of the finny creatures in the tanks, wondering why the management is willing to show such small fry when so many much bigger ones are still uncaught.

Live specimens of native game birds from all parts of the continent will also have a section to themselves, where those who are interested in wild fowl and kindred shooting can see almost all the known species of America. Special pains have been taken to make this exhibit as complete as possible.

The guides from Maine and other regions where big game abound are always surrounded by interesting relays of sportsmen, renewing old acquaintances, making new ones, relating new experiences and adventures and retelling old ones. These men make most of their engagements for next season at the sportsmen's show, and some of them book dates as far as two seasons ahead.

Great are the hunters' yarns retailed by these famous guides for the delectation of the listeners, many of whom are present for the purpose of making a decision as to where they shall spend their next vacations. Some of the stories they relate and the hairbreadth escapes they have met with put many a book of adventure in the shade. The "doubting Thomas" in the crowd will go away convinced that the palm for "drawing the longbow" must be taken from the disciples of Izaak Walton and laid at the feet of there brawny sons of the woods and forests.

Whatever may be one's opinion, a sight of these hunters in their picturesque costumes, the log cabins and tents, sportsmen's camps, all decorated with trophies of the chase, snowshoes and other apparatus, will make the blood of the most inveterate stay-at-home course through his veins in a rush of enthusiasm and in spite of himself wish for a glimpse of the reality, gun in hand and quarry in view.

At one end of the Garden will be a large space taken up by an Indian village, occupied by families of the aborigines engaged in building canoes and snowshoes and in making baskets and beadwork. Antonio Apache, a famous chief, will be seen in the village, surrounded by the braves and squaws of his tribe.

Probably the most attractive feature of the whole exhibition in the estimation of those not directly interested in hunting with gun and rod will be the water carnival to be held during the week. Near the Indian village there will be constructed an artificial lake 75 feet long, 40 feet wide and 8 feet deep for the purpose of holding water polo, swimming and other competitive contests of interest. Several of the large athletic clubs of the country have been getting their teams and individual athletes in shape for these contests, notably the Knickerbocker and the New York Athletic clubs of New York city and the Boston Athletic association. Many of the colleges and universities have also entered their athletes for these aquatic sports.

Part of the programme for this water carnival is as follows: March 2, 75 yard novice swimming race, scratch; 50 yard tub race, open, scratch, and 25 yard swimming race, open, scratch. March 3, diving competition, open scratch; 50 yard race, swimming on the back, open, scratch, and relay race open to teams from boat clubs only. March 4, indoor swimming championship of Greater New York, including a 50 yard race, 200 yard race, 100 yard race and a plunge, and swim under water for distance. March 6, 100 yard handicap race, open, and 50 yard candle race, open, scratch. March 7, 150 yard novice race, scratch; apple race, open, scratch, and 200 yard handicap, open. March 8, 75 yard hurdle swimming race, open, scratch; 100 yard handicap, open, and 25 yard race, with feet and hands tied, open, scratch. March 9, 100 yard race for the championship of the fire, police and letter carriers' departments of Greater New York and 25 yard clothes race, open, scratch. March 10, relay race, open to all teams; 75 yard handicap, open, and trials in the water polo championship. March 11, 50 yard egg and spoon race, open, scratch; finals in water polo championship and 100 yard consolation race, scratch. There will also be collegiate, athletic or boat club water polo games every evening, so that it will be seen that the lake will be constantly the scene of exciting aquatic sports at all times. There are prizes of gold, silver and bronze medals, as well as money and watches, offered for these events.

The bowling alleys in the basement of the Garden will also be the scene of some great games. Head pin and other championships will be competed for, and many of the finest experts in the country will take part.

On the roof of the Garden the trap shooters will hold high carnival. Mr. Elmer E. Shaner, manager of the Interstate association and who is also on the board of managers of the sportsmen's show, will have charge of this department as well as of the revolver and rifle ranges. Some of the most famous shots with the different weapons, both amateur and professional, will be in attendance and take part in the competitions at inanimate targets.

CHARLES E. EDWARDES.

The Paris "Clique."

The tolerance of a claque in the French theaters is a mystery to American nerves. Sarah Bernhardt abolished it after her travels, but was obliged to restore it. Paris possesses a king of the clique, terror and providence of directors, who jobs out applause to all the great theaters of the capital. For a fixed sum paid by him for the privilege this august personage receives each day a certain number of seats, which he resells for his own profit, and in consideration of which he furnishes the quantity of bravos claimed by the theater. To the amounts thus realized are added the obligatory "presents" of the actors, of whom many pay from $20 to $60 a month to have their entries and recalls well "claqued."

A claque chief, if intelligent, becomes very quickly a capitalist and has always a sum at the disposition of directors in need. For a loan of $5,000 he receives $10,000 or $15,000 worth of tickets, or else they cede to him the "certain raiser" for a determined period. By an arrangement as follows: The claque chief buys a one act play from some poor playwright for a few dollars and has it played for several hundred times consecutively, appropriating to himself the author's rights. It is by means of this combination that a bad one act play is sometimes kept running for as long as two years in certain theaters.

A. A. U. Gymnastic Championships.

The annual gymnastic championships of the Amateur Athletic union will be held under the auspices of the Knickerbocker Athletic club, New York, on Friday, March 17, in the club theater, at 8 p. m. In the following order the events will be decided: Parallel bars, long horse, side horse, swinging Indian clubs, rope climbing, 25 feet for speed; individual tumbling, horizontal bar, flying rings and all round standing apparatus championship. The usual championship medals will be presented to first, second and third men.

YALE'S NEW ROWING COACH.

Great efforts are being put forth at Yale this year by the rowing men to turn out a winning eight and by this means get back some of the prestige which she has lost to Cornell by the defeats of the past two seasons. In line with these efforts a novel experiment in crew coaching will be made at New Haven. A member of the college faculty will handle the oarsmen. His name is Dr. Edson Fessenden Gallaudet, and he has been connected with the department of social science for two years.

Dr. Gallaudet is 23 years of age, and he graduated from Yale in 1893. During his course at the university he enjoyed the honor of stroking two champion varsity crews to victory. In 1892, under Captain Hartwell, and in 1893, under Captain Ives, he set a stroke that put the crew a quarter of a mile ahead of Harvard at the finish. His appointment is highly approved of by both alumni and undergraduates. As the cleanest cut oar that ever pulled the old Bob Cook stroke he can teach the blue oarsmen the best system of rowing the university ever knew.

FOOTLIGHT FLASHES.

W. S. Gilbert's working day begins at midnight.

It was reported that Robert Hilliard's friends put up $20,000 in cash for the purchase of an interest in the spectacular English melodrama "Sporting Life," which enjoyed a five months' run at the Academy of Music, New York. The play is said to be the costliest and at the same time the most successful melodrama ever produced in New York.

From present indications there will be at least one new and important star in the field next season. Mme. Flower, known as the Colored Melba, in contradistinction to the Black Patti, is having an opera written for her which will be more pretentious than the regulation comic opera. Mme. Flower is going abroad to fill engagements in London. Her manager, M. Weinstack, purposes to get together in Europe a company of colored singers to support the new star. An opera company composed entirely of colored people will be somewhat of a novelty.

Wagenhals & Kemper contemplate a spectacular production of "Damon and Pythias" next season. Louis James will be the Damon and Frederick Warde the Pythias.

The instrument which Edouard Remenyi, the famous violinist, was playing when he fell dead on the stage was a Stradivarius known as "the Titan." He had refused many offers of large sums for it. Sol Marcosson, the young American virtuoso, has purchased it for $4,000.

Beerbohm Tree's godfather was the Emperor Frederick of Germany.

This is the latest from Bernhardt: "I am afraid I shall be going to America next year for the last time. I have arranged for a long tour and suppose it will be my farewell visit."

Work in some of the cut rate stock companies grows harder for the actors. At one theater the play is changed twice a week, and two performances are given daily.

Marian McEnery, who is on the vaudeville stage, is a daughter of former Governor McEnery of Louisiana and belongs to one of New Orleans' fashionable families.

Miss Julia Arthur has secured the English rights to the new play by M. Emile Bergerac entitled "More Than Queen" and dealing with the marriage of Napoleon and Josephine and their divorce.

Stuart Robson has been before the American public for almost 40 years.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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The safe arrival of the Pavonia is another proof of Cunard luck and an additional tribute to the line's unbroken immunity from loss of life.

Mrs. Rolfe, county superintendent of the Women's Christian Temperance union will address the Dracut branch tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Old Yellow Meeting House and again at 7.45 o'clock which latter will be open to citizens.

The people of Lowell rejoice to hear that the trouble between the spinners and the Merrimack mills is practically settled. Now to make the amende honorable we suggest that Agent Pead show his magnanimity by restoring the discharged men to their places.

GIRL OF 17

MARRIED TO A MAN OF 78 YEARS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20—Dr. Thomas J. T. Buffington, aged 78 years and Miss Fannie Conrad, aged 17, both of Baton Rouge, were married at the hotel Royal on Thursday night by Rev. J. M. Laval, administrator of the archdiocese of New Orleans. The wedding was bitterly opposed by the aged bridegroom's family and as little publicity was given the ceremony as possible. Dr. Buffington is a man of great wealth and has been married twice before, both his former wives being aunts to his present bride who is a daughter of Mr. A. L. D. Conrad of Baton Rouge and a girl of great beauty. She is a grand niece of Charles Conrad who was secretary of the navy in the cabinet of President Fillmore.

CATHOLIC NEWS.

The magnificent new St. Peter's church was opened yesterday afternoon for the first time for the inspection of the parishioners and was visited by thousands who admired its splendid proportions and exquisite finish so far as completed.

At St. Peter's church on Wednesday forenoon next there will be a requiem mass celebrated for the repose of the soul of a former pastor of the church the late lamented Rev. Peter Crudden.

On Friday forenoon next at St. Peter's church, a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of the late John J. Mealey.

At 6 o'clock mass at the Sacred Heart church yesterday morning, the pastor, Rev. John P. Reynolds, O.M.I., was the celebrant. The children's mass at 8 o'clock and the high mass at 10.30 o'clock were celebrated by Rev. John Mallory, O.M.I. At the former mass the pastor gave instructions and at the high mass he delivered a very eloquent discourse on "Serving God."

SUPERIOR COURT.

At the Superior court last week true bills were found against the following Lowell people, besides W. T. True and Edward D. Murphy.

Bartholomew J. Curtin and Catherine C. Buchanan, adultery.

Alfred Boudereau and Mary Hamel, adultery.

Phillip Peland and Julia Cheney adultery.

Charles A. Forbes, assault and battery.

Louis Perry, alias John Heroux, the alleged assailant of Dr. Holt on Kirk street, assault and battery.

George Butt, felonious assault.

George H. Maguire, breaking and entering and larceny.

Olaf Mattson, breaking and entering and larceny.

Joseph Preneau, breaking and entering and larceny.

Thomas Duge, William F. Barr and Alfred K. Jeffrey, breaking and entering and larceny.

Joseph Riley, breaking and entering.

John T. Emmott, breaking and entering.

Wilfred Bourgeault, breaking and entering.

James F. Walsh, breaking and entering and larceny.

Richard Smith, breaking and entering and larceny.

P. Hildreth Parker, larceny and forgery.

Alexander H. Bailey, breaking and entering and larceny in Lowell and Waltham.

Fred Barrows and Clara B. Neal, adultery.

Edward J. Cutting and Mary A. Cahill, adultery.

Peter Bushee and Maria Connolly, adultery.

Heber H. Saunders, felonious assault at Westford.

Frank J. Connolly, breaking and entering.

Christ Lampros, larceny.

In several other Lowell cases no bills were returned. The trial of cases will begin to-day.

INJURIES PROVED FATAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NASHUA, N. H., Feb. 20.—Joseph Boury, who was struck by the 8.30 train from Worcester while driving in a sleigh on Chestnut street in this city Saturday, died from his injuries at 5 o'clock Saturday at the Emergency hospital. Mr. Boury who was 47, was a native of Plattsburg, N. Y., and had resided here for 30 years. For 18 years he was employed at the Nashua Manufacturing company's mills and for 12 years he had been a barber. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias. He is survived by a mother, a wife, a brother and six sisters.

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HAPPY COUPLES

Anniversary Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace

SILVER WEDDING OF MR. AND MRS. DOLE.

Both Observed at Highland Congregational Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Wallace of Walker street on Saturday celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Appropriate exercises were held at the pretty homestead of the happy couple and all during the day congratulations by mail were received. A large number of neighbors and friends as well as the descendents of the celebrants were present at the home and many a kind wish for the future health and happiness of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace was expressed. In the evening, the happy couple in company with Mr. and Mrs. William T. Dole of Westford, who were observing their silver wedding, held a reception in the Highland Congregational church. Guests were received from 7 to 9 o'clock. A pretty arranged entertainment program which included a congratulatory address by the beloved pastor, Rev. C. L. Merriam was given after which refreshments were served and an informal convention of friends expressed their great happiness in having the honor to be present at such a notable event.

Mr. Daniel R. Wallace was born in Moultonville, New Hampshire, April 21, 1823. Coming to Lowell in 1847 he went to work in the Boott Cotton mills where he remained for nearly 23 years the last ten of which he served as overseer. Since 1869 he has been identified with the life insurance business and since 1884 with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. In 1892 he identified himself with the Highland Congregational church and is the senior deacon of that society at the present time.

Feb. 18, 1849, he was married to Miss Almira Martin at North Andover. Mrs. Wallace was born at Limington, Me., June 7, 1829, and came to North Andover during her childhood, where she resided until her marriage. Two children were the result of this union, Myra J., (Mrs. George L. Warren) born Aug. 20, 1852, of Boston, and Charles Sumner, born April 22, 1856, died Sept. 14, 1857 and was buried in this city.

Mrs. Wallace is also an active worker of the Highland Congregational church. Like her husband she is well preserved and enjoys good health. She is a woman of remarkable executive ability and foundation of character, also of a high spiritual character, she is probably one of the most influential women in the Highland Congregational church.

Mr. William T. Dole was born in this city in April, 1848. He attended the public schools of this city and for the past several years has been identified with the grocery business. He is at present in the employ of J. B. Puffer, corner of Branch and School streets. Mr. Dole is the junior deacon of the Highland Congregational church, having been appointed this year, and is one of the founders of that church. He has always taken an active interest in the workings of the departments of the church and has a host of friends. Feb. 4, 1878, he was married to Miss Lydia A. Farmer, who is a native of Dracut. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. J. M. Greene, the couple being attendants of the Eliot church at that time. Five children have blessed the union, four of whom are now living, Edith M., Albert E., Foster H., and Wallace A.

Since their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Dole have resided at 365 Westford street. During the early part of their married life the part of Westford street in which they live was in the town of Dracut.

No drugs or chemicals of any kind were found in the samples tested. We have no hesitation in recommending them."—H. L. Bowker, state assayer of Massachusetts. Mr. Locker says this of the G. O. Taylor Old Bourbon and Pure Rye Whiskeys. He obtained the goods at the druggists' without special selection by the proprietors. C. H. Graves & Sons Boston, Mass. Sold only in sealed bottles.

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THE COMING GAME

Basket Ball is Fast Growing Popular.

HOW IT COMPARES WITH BOXING.

Saturday's Game at the Y. M. C. A.

Despite the miserable weather of Saturday evening a large and enthusiastic gathering which included many of the fair sex applauded and cheered themselves hoarse at the basket ball game of the Y.M.C.A.'s of Lowell and Lawrence which was held in the local Y.M.C.A. gym and which resulted in a severe drubbing for the Lowell boys. To describe the technalities or scientific features of the game is beyond me as I am a stranger to the game but if you want impressions you may be accommodated.

In the first place basket ball is a coming game especially since boxing has been prohibited for if one is looking for excitement and trouble he can't afford to miss a basket ball game.

Basket ball as it is played differs from boxing in many respects. In boxing if you strangle, kick, wrestle, bite or in any other way disregard the rules the referee immediately calls a foul and you lose everything. In basket ball under similar circumstances, the referee may or may not call a foul. If he does, the other side is given an opportunity to throw a goal and score one additional point and the man who fouls goes ahead playing with a chance to foul again if he chooses.

Then in boxing, if a contestant is knocked out, the bout is concluded, the police called in and the clergyman given a topic of discussion while in basket ball a fresh man is substituted for the unfortunate and the game proceeds. In boxing, too, the two contestants whether tired or injured, must go to the end of the bout, but in basket ball when one man feels too tired to accomplish further effective work he is relegated to the dressing room and a fresh man is put in to do battle with an opponent who has been playing several minutes.

Finally in boxing, if a spectator is heard to cry out any such remarks as "Sink him Down" or "Get on to him, Harris" he is promptly and without ceremony ejected. In basket ball all such remarks are attributed to unparalleled enthusiasm and they are "sinned for" by the pewies holding the game.

But basket ball, withal, is a scientific and most interesting game when properly played. It requires plenty of room however, and I believe, impartial referees and umpires.

The game Saturday night was played in close quarters and the Y.M.C.A. men of Lawrence caught the spectators by playing all around the Lowell boys. Dillon earned the favor of the audience by his clever work and they liked that of Kiersted. Harris came in on the second half and he played a good rough game. He doesn't intend to, they say, but he's a rough player, nevertheless. I noticed some of the P.A.C. players sizing up Harris Saturday night and as they play the Y.M.C.A.'s tomorrow night it wouldn't be a bad place to invest 15 cents in an admission to the game.

During the game there was one long and one short wrangle, which seriously detracted from the pleasure of the game. These might have been avoided had the referee and umpire been disinterested parties. The final score was 9 to 2 in favor of Lawrence.

The line-up:

Lawrence.	Lowell.
Hamer, lf	rg Harris
Dionne rf	lg Kiersted (capt.)
Sands (capt.) c	c Wilson
Halloran lg	rf Muzzey
Frost rg	lf Frost

The summary:

First Half.

Goal 1—Sands, Lawrence, 4m.
Goal 2—Sands, Lawrence, 12m. 10 s.

Second Half.

Goal 3—McFarland, Lowell, 4 m. 20s.
Goal 4—Sands (on foul), Lawrence, 7m.
Goal 7—Hamer, Lawrence, 30s.
Score—Lawrence 9, Lowell 2. Goals—Scored by McFarland, Sands (2), Hamer. Points on fouls—Sands (3). Referees—Shaw of Lowell and Heskill of Lawrence. Timekeepers—Longsilla of Lowell and Fox of Lawrence. Time—20-minute halves.

THE BURKES LOST.

The Burkes were beaten at Milbury Saturday night by a score to 8 to 3.

There is some excuse for the defeat, however, as two of the Burkes' best players were injured and the second period of the game was played by them with only four men. The Burkes' team was shifted somewhat in its make-up. O'Neil playing center and Kelleher going to left guard. Healey was laid off during the first half. During the first half Neville was injured and could not play in the second half. Healey was therefore put in the game at center, O'Neil going to right guard. "Pete" Reagan had his ankle wrenched but was obliged to continue in the game as there was no other substitute on hand. He simply remained near the goal, doing his best to guard and was of course unable to get into any scrimmage. Kelleher played a good lively game and did more than was expected from him. The general play of the Burkes was good and the men made an earnest effort to win but were handicapped.

In the first half the Milbury team scored six points on baskets from the floor, while Lowell got one point, Reagan scoring on a foul. In the second half Reagan scored two points on fouls, and Milbury scored two points on a basket from the floor. The final score was 8—3. Reagan did all the Burkes' scoring.

Lineup and summary:

C. Y. M. L. A.	BURKES.
Crossman lf	lf Tierney
Wood rf	rf Reagan
Wiseman c	c O'Neil, Healey
Lehir rg	rg Neville, O'Neil
Williams lg	lg Kelleher

Score—C. Y. M. L. A., 8, Burkes, 3. Goals from floor—Lehir, Williams, Wiseman and Crossman. Goals from fouls—Reagan 3. Umpire and Referee McCarty for Lowell and Cronin for C. Y. M. L. A. Time of game—two 20-minute halves.

Y. M. C. A. JUNIORS.

The Lowell Y. M. C. A. junior team won the fifth consecutive victory by defeating the junior team of the Nashua Y. M. C. A. at the latter city, Saturday night. The visiting team had a complete walkover, defeating their opponents by a score of 26 to 6.

LOWELL.	NASHUA.
Pearson lf	lf Bell
Hafferty rf	rf Smith
Cleaves c	c Perrion
Wilinsky rg	rg Blackman
Gamble lg	lg Manseaux

Score—Lowell 26, Nashua 6. Goals from floor—Hafferty 3, Cleaves 2, Wilinsky 3, Pearson 2, Gamble 2, Smith, Perrion and Blackman. Umpire and referee—Bessie for Lowell and Crittenden for Nashua. Time of game—two 20-minute halves.

CRISP GOSSIP.

Yesterday was the first Sunday in Lent.

The condition of the sidewalks on Saturday was simply horrible.

Here is one effect of the blizzard described by the Bennington writer in the Troy Times:

"The intense cold and vast regions of deep snow in the vicinity have driven the hawks from the woods to prey on the English sparrows that live in the village. Nothing stirs in the silent depths of the forest and the hawk can find no food there. It is not uncommon to see a hawk wheeling in the air, the circles gradually growing smaller, when shooting in a direct line, and swiftly as an arrow sent from a bow he seizes a sparrow in his talons and bears it away, the little victim being frightened and uttering piteous cries. No one recollects ever having seen a hawk in the village before on such a mission.

Rubbers and overshoes have the call such weather as this.

Charles Lamb was born 124 years ago Saturday.

Officer Benson Munyan of Northampton and well known to many of the Lowell police severed his connection with the state district police force. He has been an efficient and honored officer but he has been in bad health for a long time and the state needed a man physically equal to the place. Mr. Munyan has had a long and interesting career as a detective and has been identified with many of the most important criminal cases in Hampshire and Franklin counties, which district was under his care. He worked very hard on the McCloud murder case at Shelburne Falls in 1897 and was obliged to give up work for several months.

There will be a lively race after the office, several applicants being already in the field. Deputy Sheriff Woods of Pittsfield is reported to have a strong backing. Deputy Sheriff E. C. Fowler of Orange is also mentioned as a fit man for the position.

Only eight more days of February remain.

The snow rapidly disappeared rapidly the past few days.

Weather phophets are now predicting rain and spring freshets.

Rubber boots will be in great demand if the thaw continues.

Street crossings are in very bad condition.

The following journalistic bouquet is from the Woburn Journal:

The Lowell Sun of February 11, contained an excellent portrait of "Waterman Brown, oldest railroad man in the country" followed by full two columns of biography of the venerable gateman of the most interesting character. It was an epitome of Mr. Brown's life, sketchy, powerful, and not exhaustive. The headlines, in bold type, read: "Odd Character is Old Wat Brown of North Woburn. Oldest Railroad Man in the World. Still Tending Crossing at Woburn." It was a good piece of newspaper work and complimentary to gateman Brown.

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HEART DISEASE.

Some Facts Regarding the Rapid Increase of Heart Troubles.

DO NOT BE ALARMED, BUT LOOK FOR THE CAUSE.

Heart troubles, at least among the Americans, are certainly increasing and while this may be largely due to the excitement and worry of American business life, it is more often the result of weak stomachs, of poor digestion.

Real organic disease is incurable; but not one case in a hundred of heart trouble is organic.

The close relation between heart trouble and poor digestion is because both organs are controlled by the same great nerves, the Sympathetic and the Pneumogastric.

In another way, also the heart is effected by the form of poor digestion, which causes gas and fermentation from half-digested food. There is a feeling of oppression and heaviness in the chest caused by pressure of the distended stomach on the heart and lungs, interfering with their action; hence arises palpitation and short breath.

Poor digestion also poisons the blood making it thin and watery which irritates and weakens the heart.

The most sensible treatment for heart trouble is to improve the digestion and to insure the prompt assimilation of food.

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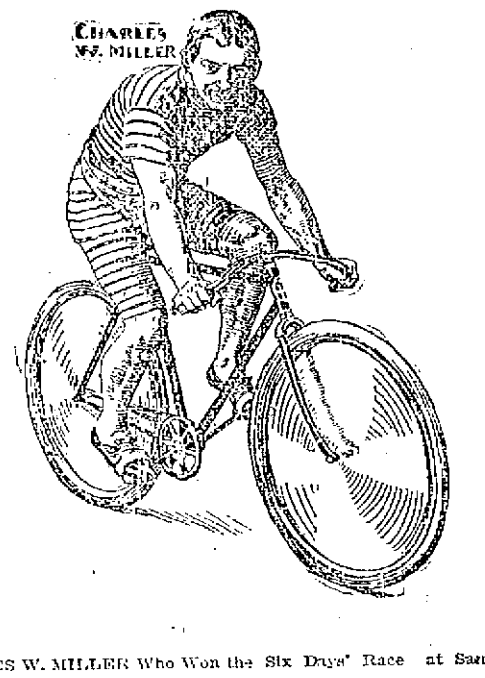

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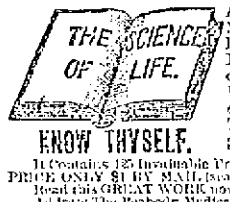

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SUN LATEST FIVE O'CLOCK.

COURT OF INQUIRY

Ready to Open Army Beef Investigation.

The Court Called on Pres. McKinley, Sec. Alger and Gen. Miles—Favorable Report on Bill to Pay Spain $20,000,000—Favorable Committee Report on Bill For a Cable to Hawaii and Manila.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—The court inquiry to examine into the beef controversy assembled at the Lemon building shortly after ten o'clock this morning, preparatory to its first formal session. At 10.35, the court in full dress uniform, proceeded to the white house where it paid its respect to the president, and then to the war department where it called upon Secretary Alger and Major General Miles. Meantime, representatives of the press who were accorded places in the court room had assembled, and on the outside were many other correspondents and a number of artists specially detailed to attend the inquiry.

The court returned at 12.05 from its visits of courtesy and after two photographers made pictures of the court Col. Davis announced readiness to proceed and read the orders convening the court, and its instructions.

Following the reading of the order, which has been published already, Col. Davis read a letter from Adjutant General Corbin in response to a letter from General Wade, president of the court, explaining more specifically the lines along which the court was expected to investigate.

The court was then sworn, and Maj. Gen. Nelson A. Miles was presented as the first witness. He appeared in fatigue uniform and was sworn. After stating his rank and office he was asked about his statement before the war commission. He said he made one and upon Col. Davis submitting a printed report of that statement, General Miles examined and approved it.

Then he was asked about an alleged interview, which appeared in the New York Journal of December 23, whether it represented completely or in part what he said.

$20,000,000 FOR SPAIN.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—The house committee on appropriations today ordered a favorable report on the bill to pay Spain $20,000,000 for the Philippines. The amendment declaring the policy of the government toward the Philippines was defeated by a party vote. Chairman Cannon was directed to call up the bill today under suspension of the rules.

WANT A NEW CABLE.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The senate committee on foreign relations today authorized a favorable report upon an amendment to be offered to the Sundry Civil bill, providing for the construction of a cable to Hawaii and Manila. The cable is not to be built by the United States, but a yearly subsidy is to be paid by the government.

FOR MANSLAUGHTER

The Hearing on the Conroy Shooting Fatality.

Before Judge Hadley in Court This Morning—Details of the Sad Affair Told by Witnesses—Dr. Meigs Displays the Bullet Found in the Man's Head—Mrs. Blennerhassett Held for Grand Jury.

The preliminary hearing in the case of Mrs. Letitia Blennerhasset of North Billerica charged with manslaughter in causing the death of Arthur Conroy by shooting him was held in the police court this morning after the regular session.

Mrs. Blennerhasset was in court early accompanied by her father, James Adams, her brother, Thomas G. Adams, and her counsel Walter S. Leighton, Esq. She was neatly attired and was perfectly composed.

The government witnesses sworn were Dr. J. V. Meigs, Constable Martin Conway Jr., of Billerica, Photographer Westcott, James Adams, father of the defendant, Lawrence Cummings and several others.

The first witness called was Dr. Meigs who as associate medical examiner viewed the remains, testified to the nature of the wound which caused Conroy's death produced the fatal bullet extracted from the victim's head and described the appearance of the body.

"The pistol shot which caused the wound," he continued, "must have been in close contact to the window for the gauze curtain in the window was scorched.

Cross-examined by Lawyer Leighton he described the bullet hole in the window and reiterated his statement to the effect that the pistol was placed in close contact to the glass.

Officer Martin Conway, Jr., testified: "Upon hearing of the case I went to the house and found Conroy lying on the plazza with his feet almost on the threshold and his head on the step. Mrs. Blenerhasset told me that she was waked up about 11.30 or 12 o'clock by some one trying to get in. She heard voices and thought two or three men were there.

"She said she heard them say the bolt was easy and she got her pistol and went into the sitting room and fired two shots through the door. The noises continued," she said, "and then she went out in the entry and fired one shot and heard a body fall. She said she thought she had stunned one of them.

Then she said she went back and put two more cartridges in her pistol and sat in the dark until morning. She said she was too frightened to call to them to go away and when I asked her she said she didn't go out front to see if she knew him. She said she went to her father's house at 6.30 and told him that she had shot someone and he went around and found the body.

"I then telephoned for the medical examiner. When I asked her about the time she said it was 1.30 o'clock when she woke up but later she told me that it might have been 11.30 o'clock. She told me that she had been bothered by tramps in the day time."

Constable Conway then illustrated his discriptions by means of several photographs.

On cross-examination he said: "When I went to the house I found Mrs. Blennerhasset and her father in the sitting room. When the father told who I was she told me the whole story. The house faces east and the sun would strike the front of the house first and might strike the glass in the front door. I think there was no frost on the front window.

"Mrs. Blennerhasset told me that she thought the intruders were in the entry and that was why she fired through the door. She said she thought she heard one of the men say the bolt was easy and she thought he was trying to hammer in the door.

"Conroy's position showed that he was opposite the door knob when he fell. He was about 5 feet 3 inches tall and the bullet hole in the glass was 4 feet, 85-100 inches above the plazza.

"I knew Conroy to be a man who drank considerable. He had a habit of getting drunk in Lowell and then going home. He talked to himself when drunk. He was never violent, and I never had any occasion to arrest him. He would always go home when I told him to."

On redirect -examination Constable Conway produced the revolver which Mrs. Blennerhasset claimed to have used, together with the bullets and shells that were in it.

James R. Adams, father of the defendant was the next witness and his testimony was as follows:

"About 6.30 o'clock on that morning my daughter came into my house, much excited saying: 'I think I shot a man.' I said what did you do that for,' and she said: 'There were two of them trying to get in.' I went to the front of the house and found the body. I notified Constable Conway and that's all I know about it.

"I was shocked at what happened and didn't pay much attention to what she said to the officer. I have lived there for the last 10 years and my daughter came there some time last summer."

Cross-examined, he said: "There were catches on the windows and some of them were nailed."

Conductor Lewis of the North Billerica line was next caled and he testified: "Conroy rode out with me on the 10.30 car. He got off at the stone house about 10.50 o'clock. On my way back I saw him just a little this side of the stone house. He had moved only about 20 feet."

On cross-examination he said: "Conway had been drinking that night. I stopped to let a lady get out and he got out too. He had moved 20 feet toward Billerica. Conroy ran after the car the second time and when we stopped he asked me for five cents to get a ride. I told him there were no more cars and told him not to lie down. I had my doubts about his ability to get to Billerica that night."

Orson Miner who lives about 200 yds. from the stone house said: "A man called at his house between 11 and 12 o'clock but he couldn't swear that the man was Conroy.

Mr. Leighton argued that Conroy was not too drunk to know what he was doing and that he had received sufficient warning by the firing of the two shots. He quoted cases of justifiable homicide where the circumstances appeared to him similar. She waited a sufficient length of time and the endurance shows that she believed there were two persons there and the windows were so locked to render it impossible to open them to see who was at the door. Under the law of defense she was justified in protecting her house and children.

Judge Hadley said: "The body of the man is found at the door of Mrs. Blumerhasset's house, a bullet having been fired from within the house. There is a homicide. Then comes her explanation. The law puts itself in the place of the purpose under charge. The only question here is whether there is evidence sufficient to show that she took due care before shooting. If he had been crawling in at the window she would perhaps be justified fully in the act. But suppose a person had gone to the door from her father's who had been ill though in that case perhaps they might have called to her and allayed her fears. I think, however, that the matter is a proper one to go before the grand jury and so order her."

Mrs. Blennerhasset was held in $1500 for the grand jury.

"I got out of bed," said Mr. Miner on cross-examination, "and when I got to the door the stranger said: "—— —— let me in.' I went to my wife and told her I was going to let him in as it was a very cold night. I live about two rods on the Lowell side of Mrs. Blennerhasset's.

Lawrence Cummings, newspaper reporter testified: "I went to Mrs. Blennerhasset's house between 10 and 11 o'clock on the morning of February 11. I saw the body lying on the plazza with the feet against the front door. A bullet hole was in the glass about the center of the door. I spoke with Mrs. Blennerhasset. I told her I was a newspaper reporter and I have my doubts as to whether I should testify or not. She partly gave me her confidence and if I were not a reporter I wouldn't have been there."

"If you didn't offer her any inducements your testimony is competent," said the court.

Mr. Cummings began his testimony that was interrupted by the court who inquired if his testimony was accumulative. Mr. Cummings reported affirmatively. His testimony differed from Mr. Conway's in only that she had not ness she could not remember what time of night it was and that she had not been bothered by tramps.

This ended the government's case and Lawyer Leighton then called for the defendant's release from custody on the ground that the case is one of justifiable homicide.

THE KHEDIVE'S HEIR.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

ALEXANDRIA, Feb. 20.—The Khedivah has given birth to a son at Montazat. There are great rejoicings at the fact that the Khedive has now an heir to the throne.

MUCH SMALL POX

Prevails Throughout United States.

SO SAY REPORTS FROM MARINE HOSPITAL.

The Disease Is Disappearing From Maine.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WATERVILLE, Me., Feb. 20—Official reports from the Marine hospital bureau which is regarded as medical authority on eruptive diseases makes the statement that over one-third of the states in the union are afflicted with small pox epidemic, likewise the disease is in a very mild form and all patients are miraculously escaping death. A precaution is vaccination.

Waterville and Winslow have the small pox epidemic well in hand, report the health officers. No new cases or suspects have been found within three days. Dr. L. G. Bunker of the board of health, Health Officer Dr. F. C. Thayer, President Smith of the State board of health state the scare effecting outsiders in the past is without cause at the present. No one is likely to escape quarantine, all patients are in the best of condition and the epidemic has every appearance of passing away without fatality.

The Lorkwood mills resumed operations this morning and all other industries are running upon full time. The schools will be opened Monday February 27th.

SMALL POX DISAPPEARING.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

WINSLOW, Me., Feb. 20.—Appearances are favorable for a complete cure of small-pox within seven days in this place, as three days have passed without even a suspect case, while those ill with the small pox are so far recovered as to be up and about the house. These facts the health officers desire the Associated Press to announce as the true condition of affairs, that the public may realize the countless stories circulated of deaths, spreading of the disease and public danger are wholly without foundation.

LOUBET STANDS FOR TRUTH.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Feb. 20—According to the Figaro, President Loubet is surprised at the hostility of which he is the object and has said:

"No one has a right to say that I am a Dreyfusist or an anti-Dreyfusist. I am with a majority of the nation, for truth, supported by justice."

FIRE CAUSED HEAVY LOSS.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 20—A midnight fire originated in the linotype rooms of the German Gazette and Evening Telegram building and gutted the structure. The paper warehouse of C. Petercamp and the Platt Grocery were also damaged, mostly by water. The loss will reach $60,000; about half covered by insurance.

DR. STEVENSON DEAD
By Associated Press to The Sun.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 20—Samuel H. Stevenson, D. D. one of the oldest est Presbyterian ministers in the United States, is dead in this city at the age of 86. He was a near relative of former Vice President Stevenson. He was born in Iredolla county, North Carolina, and was educated at Centre College, Danville, Ky.

REPUBLICANS ACTIVE.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

MADRID, Feb. 20—The republicans in the chamber have decided to begin at once an energetic campaign against the government.

THE WEATHER.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: Fair tonight and vicinity: Fair tonight and Tuesday; continued warm; southwest to west winds.

NINE YEARS' SENTENCE.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

EASTON, Pa., Feb. 20.—Professor Stephens who was convicted on Saturday of setting fire to Pardee Hall, Lafayette college, was today sentenced by Judge Scott to serve nine years in prison.

CRETAN CHAMBERS OPENED.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

CANEA, Crete, Feb. 20.—The Cretan chambers were opened today by Prince George, the high commissioners of the powers, who received a warm greeting. A bill embodying the Cretan constitution was submitted.

The charitable pink festival to be held by the young ladies of the Immaculate Conception church at Associate hall, April 14 will be for the benefit of the Sacred Heart church instead of the Immaculate Conception church as erroneously stated in a local paper.

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On or before Friday, March 3, in the Savings Department of the
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THE CUBAN FUND

For the Payment of Cuban Soldiers.

HAS CAUSED NO LITTLE TROUBLE.

Efforts Made to Get a Big Loan.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Efforts are making with every prospect of success to reconcile the radical element among the Cubans to the proposition of the United States government to pay soldiers of the Cuban cause $3,000,000. This is expected to be accomplished through a rather sweeping authorization by the United States government for the incurment of a considerable loan to make good the deficiency between the sum the United States agrees to pay to the troops and the sum the Cuban leaders believe to be the smallest that can be paid with benefit and with due regard to justice. So far the proposition has not taken official shape here but the administration has been quietly sounded by the Cuban contingent who have expressed gratification at the prospects. General Gomez himself is expected to broach the plan formally when he begins his conference with General Brooke in Havana.

ALBERT HEYSLER

DIED FROM EFFECTS OF POISON HE TOOK.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

ROCKLAND, Me., Feb. 20.—Albert Heysler, the murderer of his wife and stepdaughter, died at 10.30 Saturday night at his home in Burkettville from the effects of the Paris green he had taken with suicidal intent. He never rallied from his unconscious condition and passed into eternity without a word of atonement for his double crime.

WILLIAM FINN KILLED.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—William Finn, a South Boston teamster, was killed this morning by being struck on the head with a casting which fell from the third story in an elevator well at 40 Chauncy street. He died as he was being placed in an ambulance.

HER LEG BROKEN.
A young daughter of David Vincent broke her leg this morning while playing near her home in Ennell street.

WINDOW BROKEN.
A large plate glass window in the saloon of Con. Shanahan on Adams street was broken last night by one of the owner's dogs, which was anxious to get out and tried to go through the window.

LOSS OF $300,000
CAUSED BY THE FIRE IN PORT WASHINGTON.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

PORT WASHINGTON, Wis., Feb. 20.—Last night's fire which totally destroyed the plant of the Wisconsin Chair company, covering three blocks and laying waste three additional squares, was finally brought under control this morning. The loss to the chair company will be about $300,000 fully covered by insurance. The loss to other property will amount to about $50,000 partially covered by insurance. The chair company gave employment to about 600 men. The fire started in the engineering department.

Engineer Kuekin of the chair department is missing and it is feared that he was burned to death.

GIMM PROBABLY DRUGGED.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 20.—The trainer and other friends of Gimm, who retired in the six days' bicycle race after leading the procession of riders for over three days, claim that he must have been drugged. They assert that his collapse was too sudden to have been due to natural causes.

After the long race was concluded, Harry Elkes defeated J. Eaton in a five mile paced race, his time being 9.52.

ITALIAN BARK ASHORE.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

NASSAU, N. P., Feb. 20.—The Italian bark, Barba Luigi, Captain Scotto from Pensacola on February 1st for Genoa, went ashore on February 14th on the little Panama bank and proved a total loss. The captain and eight of the crew have arrived here. Three of the crew were drowned and two died as the result of exposure to the weather.

AGONCILLO IN NEW YORK.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Senor Agoncillo, the Filipino delegate, arrived here today from Montreal. Agoncillo expects to sail for England on Wednesday next. He was asked whether he intended to continue his mission in England and answered that perhaps he would do so but that he did not care to say much on the subject.

CITY HALL NOTES.

Today the mayor and superintendent of Buildings Doherty went to Boston to visit the state building department in regard to the matter of exits from Huntington hall. They also paid another visit to General Manager Tuttle of the Boston and Maine railroad in regard to the same business. The problem is still bothering the city officials and Architect Gardner is very busy devising plans to conform to the law, as a matter of safety in case of fires. The mayor has no doubt that it is the desire of the railroad authorities to do away with the Merrimack street depot but he could not tell what the result of the conference would be. If it was found that an exit could not be obtained where it was desired and an effort would have to be made to cut through Dutton street side there was no question as to the law and he hopod that the state building authorities would give some aid and light in the matter.

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Life enough, enthusiasm enough, sales enough to make you think it June, not February.

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Every shirt worth nearly double the price we ask for it.

PUTNAM & SON
166 Central Street.

PRESS OFFICERS

PARIS NEWSPAPERMEN RECEIVE HEAVY SENTENCES.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

GRENOBLE, France, Feb. 20.—Max Regis, the former mayor of Algiers and editor of the Anti-Jui, has been sentenced in default to three years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 1000 francs for "press offences and glorifying murder and pillage at meetings in Algiers and Paris."

M. Philippe, managing director of the same paper, has been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 100 francs on the same charges.

PENSION CHANGES.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The following pension changes, resulting from the issue of February 6th, are announced:

Massachusetts.

Original—Parley W. Graves, Millbury, $8; Thomas Hunter, Cambridge, $8; Daniel Darbes, Needham, $8; Francis Desham, East Saugus, $8.

Reissue and Increase — Thaddeus Churchill, Boston, $8 to $12.

Spanish war widow—Eliza D. Riley, Boston, $12.

PAVONIA FREE OF DANGER.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

PONTA DEL GADA, Azores, Feb. 20.—The weather has become calm and the Cunard line steamer Pavonia which became disabled while on her way from Liverpool to Boston and was towed into St. Michael's on Saturday by the steamer Wolviston, is now free from danger and will enter the harbor today.

BIG NEW YORK FIRE.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Fire today did damage estimated at $100,000 in the buildings at 455 and 457 Broadway, occupied by the Spool Silk manufacturing firm of Balding Bros. & Co., Hamberger & Homan, cigars; the Postal telegraph company, Blum's ticket office and Gutlinger & Co., silk manufacturers.

O. O. Taylor Whiskies, grow in popularity.

JOSEPH F. TALBOT.

APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT OF THE TALBOT MILLS.

Joseph F. Talbot has been appointed superintendent of the Talbot mills at North Billerica. Mr. Talbot succeeds Lieut. Thomas Talbot who resigned recently and who is now in Europe with his mother. Joseph F. Talbot has been acting superintendent since Lieut. Thomas Talbot enlisted for service in the war with Spain.

Joseph F. Talbot was born in Texas, but came to Billerica when a boy. He is a graduate of the Howe school. The new "super" has taken a leading part in the sports of the town and is one of the most popular and best liked men in the town. He was one of the original members of the famous T. R. & T. base ball club organized in 1887.

OPENING PRICES IMPROVED.
By Associated Press to The Sun.

WALL STREET, 11 a. m.—Opening prices were largely improved in some instances but in other cases losses followed their inability to absorb the immense realizations invited by the rise. Special influences were responsible for the sensational movements in the high priced specialties, the rise in tobacco to 166 1-2, reflecting the uneasiness of the short interest. Metropolitan worked up to about 250, but was very feverish. Standard shares fell off from the best but good support was evident in the Flower specialties and minor railroad shares. Central Pacific and Southren Pacific were conspicuously weak. Business was on a tremendous scale with the distribution extensive.

INTER-COLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION
By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 20.—President James M. McKee of the Intercollegiate athletic association, today announced that he had called a meeting of the association's executive board to be held at the Fifth avenue hotel in New York on Saturday, February 25th. The meeting it is said, will be an important one. Yale's representative will be Captain Fisher of the Athletic team and Assistant Manager J. D. Dana.

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5 O'CLOCK

M. EMILE LOUBET, Elected President of the French Republic.

HIS LEG BROKEN

Edw. Laborge Assaulted in Merrimack Sq.

GREEKS FIGHT ON SATURDAY NIGHT.

One Drunk With Frozen Foot.

Edward Laborgue, aged 33 years, residing in West Fourth street was the victim of a brutal and unprovoked assault early Saturday night as a result of which he is now at St. John's hospital suffering with a broken leg and other injuries.

It appears that Laborgue who has been ill with the grip was advised to take whiskey and quinine and accordingly called at a down town saloon and procured a pint of the liquor at the same time indulging in a few hot ones at the bar. He was about to go out well satisfied with his call when he was approached by George Fraro, aged 45 years of Prince street, who proceeded to pick a row with him. Laborgue who is a peaceable man left the saloon to avoid any trouble but had not gone far when he was overtaken by the pugnacious Fraro who dealt him a vicious blow behind the ear sending him to the ground. Before he could arise Fraro had kicked him several times on the body.

Officers Duncan and Ryan then appeared on the scene and took both men to the police station where it was learned that Laborgue's leg was broken and he was taken in the ambulance to St. John's hospital and Fraro was locked up. Neither man was intoxicated.

GREEK BATTLE.

The Greek colony was the scene of a row early Saturday evening, in which 16 or 20 Greeks participated with the usual accompaniments of knives, clubs and fists, though no serious results followed the fracas. Officers Hurley and John O'Connell got into the fight and arrested James Comorandos, aged 28, years and Peter Choratas, aged 38 years. They were charged with disturbing the peace and were bailed out

ALLEGED SPEAK-EASY.

Liquor Inspectors Goodwin and Donaldson raided an alleged speak-easy at 493 Broadway, kept by William F. O'Brien. They procured a quantity of whiskey and beer.

HIS FOOT FROZEN.

William H. Kelly of 49 Concord st., was arrested at 7.35 o'clock Saturday night in Belvidere by Officer J. N. Welch on a charge of drunkenness. He was put in a cell and yesterday he complained of his feet which he said he had frozen while shoveling snow for the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Co., during the recent storm. The city physician was called to examine him and he found that one foot was frozen badly and he was ordered taken to the city farm hospital.

OFFICER FARRINGTON OUT.

Court Officer Henry Farrington who was stricken with paralysis while on his way home from the police station three weeks ago Saturday has so far improved that he was able to be driven down to the station Saturday afternoon for a short call. He was driven out by Mr. A. P. Butman. Mr. Farrington is still very weak and it is likely to be some time before he will be in condition for duty.

RING SPINNING

MERRIMACK COMPANY MAY REMOVE ITS MULES.

Whether it is to get square with the spinners who made the trouble or not is not known, but it is said that the Merrimack mills are taking out their mules and substituting ring spinning frames, which will do away with the mule spinner. Thus the men who worked under Overseer Scoble may lose their work.

The condition of Supt. Philip J. Begley of the Lowell and Suburban Street railway is much improved.

The Pine Tree State Four will run a sleigh ride party and dance at Willow Dale Thursday evening, February 23. Hadley's orchestra will furnish music. Barges will leave Merrimack square at 7.15 p. m. A jolly good time is in store for those who attend.

BENEVOLENT WOMAN

MR. WOODS PASSED AWAY SATURDAY IN LAWRENCE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 20—Mrs. Mary Ann Wood, the donor of the Old Ladies' Home, Lawrence died Saturday at her residence, 4 Bailey street.

Mrs. Wood has been a resident of this city for a number of years, and has always been noted for her benevolence. She was especially interested in the forlorn condition of those people who like herself were swiftly descending the western slope of life and who from one cause or another lacked the tender, loving care of children to brighten their last days and make their final journey one of peace and tranquility. To relieve this condition of things was the greatest wish of her life and the beautiful home which now is fulfilling its mission of love is its outcome and the monument which she has built to perpetuate her name.

Mrs. Wood was born at Shapleigh, Me., May 18, 1824, and in that town she passed the happy years of girlhood. She was married to James Wood early in life and removed to this city with him many years ago. She was a member of the Universalist church and was active in all work connected with its various branches.

KENWOOD

A GOOD SUPPLY OF ICE FOR RESIDENTS.

Mr. Henry Varnum, owner of the old General Varnum farm on the Lawrence road is at present engaged in making extensive repairs thereon and as soon as the weather will permit, he will arrange the grounds in a style that will be a credit to the town of Dracut. His new ice house is filled with good solidified aqua which makes the Kenwood residents feel assured of a good supply next summer. Mr. Varnum has been an earnest worker and gives freely towards the proposed road to run from First street to his land at Belle Grove which earns for him many friends along the line.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Belvideres and Deweys, two teams composed of Y. M. C. I. members rolled an interesting game on the Y. M. C. I. alleys Saturday afternoon. Score:

Belvideres—Jordan 391; Kelley 484; King 452; Brophy 359; Whalen 443. Total 2162.

Deweys—Murphy 431; Bagley 118; Webster 405; Duggan 443; Doyle 425. Total 2162.

VISITED THE BABY.

A party of ten friends of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Harrington visited them at their home in Moire street yesterday for the purpose of paying their respects to the young son of the family who recently made his debut upon earth. During the evening supper was served and there were songs by John F. Courtney, John Murray, and Patrick Moore and recitations by John Howith and James McQuade.

Three postponed games in the Mathews' whist tournament were played off Saturday night and resulted as follows: Harrington and Lonergan, 16; Dalley and Quirk, 4; Hickey and Minihan, 16; Dalley and Quirk, 14; Tarrant and Reilly, 16; Nicholson and McQuade, 0. Interest is now at fever heat and there is yet two weeks of playing before it closes.

The slight cough may soon become deep-seated and hard to cure. Do not let it settle on the lungs.

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Scott's Emulsion is Cod-liver oil with hypophosphites. These are the best remedies for a cough.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Lively Meeting Yesterday Afternoon Favored Parade

BUT CHIEF MARSHAL NOT CHOSEN.

Meeting Again Postponed Till Next Sunday.

The adjourned meeting of the St. Patrick's day convention took place yesterday afternoon in the Mathew Temperance Institute hall for the purpose of making arrangements for a St. Patrick's day parade in accordance with the sentiment of a convention held two weeks ago at which it was decided, by vote, that a parade should be held. The convention yesterday afternoon was a very lively one and all the parliamentary ability of the chairman, John J. Mullaney, was necessary to control it. The convention adjourned until two o'clock next Sunday afternoon. Several motions had been made to adjourn during the session but were as often defeated. It was finally successfully made by Mr. James E. Greeley and seconded by Mr. Muldoon of the Mathews.

The Lowell Irish Benevolents did not have any delegates present. The societies represented were: A. O. H., five divisions, Mathew Temperance Institute, Burkes, Y. M. C. I. and the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church.

The question in regard to chief marshal was laid over until Sunday afternoon. There were two named for the office, Mr. McKinley of the Y. M. C. I., Belvidere, and Undertaker Chas. H. Molloy. The name of Officer John Hickson was not mentioned although a number of the delegates are his supporters.

The convention was called to order about 3 o'clock by Mr. Mullaney and in the absence of the secretary of the last convention, John J. Lynch, who arrived shortly after the convention opened, Mr. Joseph Murphy was appointed secretary pro tem. The records of the convention of two weeks ago were not read till the arrival of the secretary of that convention.

Mr. McDermott of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church said that the society had voted at their last meeting not to take any part in the convention or parade.

There were several remarks from A. O. H. delegates regarding the retirement of the Holy Name Society.

Daniel Shea of the A. O. H., said: "The A. O. H. is for a parade and the others ought to be. They must be either one thing or the other; they cannot be all the colors of the rainbow." Mr. Shea was ruled out of order just as he was warming to the question.

A committee of three was appointed to ascertain how many of the societies were represented at the convention and recess was taken until the return of the committee and the reading of their findings, the motion was made that the election of chief marshal be proceeded with. The motion was seconded but met with considerable opposition. Two or three of the societies, including the Mathews, said that they could not take any part in the election of a chief marshal because they did not know whether or not their societies would sanction their act. They deemed it advisable to have the election of chief marshal postponed until at least next Wednesday night and they would be ready at that time to tell how their societies stood on the matter. There was a motion made to this effect but it was not carried.

Mr. Daniel Shea was again heard from and he proceeded to discuss the parade. He was asked by the chair to confine himself to the question, and he replied that he was discussing the question.

The secretary had now arrived and the reports of the last convention were read and accepted. Some one then made a motion that the holding of the parade be reconsidered. The motion was seconded, but did not become a vote.

Mr. Gallagher thought that the motion to reconsider was a just one, for he was sure there was not the right interest manifested to make a success of a parade. He said there were 70 delegates present two weeks ago and only 60 at the present convention. Continuing, he said: "If there is to be a celebration it should be a good one. I do not think that the societies at present are in a position to stand the expense of a parade."

Mr. Sullivan did not think reconsideration was the proper way to get at it. He suggested that the delegates be called upon for the purpose of ascertaining what the societies had done and he hoped that the delegates would have manhood enough about them to stand by what they did at the last convention.

Mr. Horan of the A.O.H. wanted a little information as to how the convention was being governed, and he suggested that it be ruled by the conditions set forth in Cushing's manual. The chair, however, satisfied Mr. Horan that the convention was being conducted with all the formality set forth in that manual.

The chairman, Mr. Mullaney, left the chair for a few moments and was substituted by another member of the Mathews. Mr. Mullaney's desire to get on the floor was to straighten out a matter that appeared to be bothering the convention, and it was in regard to the last motion that had been made, that of reconsideration. Some of the delegates present appeared to think that it was the appointment of a chief marshal that the motion to reconsider affected. Mr. Mullaney made the point clear.

Mr. Shea was again heard from. He said that he had heard this cry of poverty before, but there was nothing in it. "It is lack of patriotism," said Mr. Shea. Some one offered a substitute motion that the question of parade be laid on the table until the first Sunday in January, 1900. The motion was seconded but not carried.

The motion to reconsider action on the parade question was made, then seconded and finally became a vote. The vote was taken by the uplifting of hands and the result was 29 to 23 in favor of reconsideration.

Mr. Shea moved, and the motion was seconded, that St. Patrick's day be celebrated by parade. This motion was made after the chair had explained that the convention was in the same position exactly as they were previous to the convention of two weeks ago, as far as the parade was concerned.

The vote was taken by the secretary calling the roll and the delegates answering thereto with the following result:

Irish Benevolents, none present.

Division 1, A. O. H., 1 for, none against.

Division 2, A. O. H., 2 for, 4 against.

Division 11, A. O. H., 7 for, none against.

Division 28, 4 for, 2 against.

Division 8, 7 for, none against.

Mathew Temperance Institute, none for, 7 against.

Burkes, none for, 7 against.

Y. M. C. I., 7 for, none against.

Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church, none for, 7 against.

Total, 28 for, 27 against.

The vote was doubted and another vote resulted in an increase of one in favor of the parade.

Thomas Muldoon of the Mathews was not in favor of the parade on account of the financial condition of the societies, not that he wanted to antagonize, but if there was a parade the 17th of March the Mathews would not be slow in contributing.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I., said he was in favor of a parade if for nothing more than out of respect for the wishes of their fathers, whose fond desire it was to carry and wear the green in parade.

Mr. McDermott of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church, said, that personally he was in favor of a parade, but that he thought it would be very unjust of him to say anything in favor of the parade just now, as the sentiment of the delegates was too much divided.

After an exchange of motions and airing of opinions that the mallet of the chairman failed to suppress, the motion for the election of a chief marshal was before the house, and Mr. Muldoon moved to have it laid over for one year.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I., said that Mr. Muldoon was out of order and that the parade was to take place in 1899, and in order to carry it out a chief marshal must be elected. The chair declared that the motion for postponement of election of chief marshal was ruled out and that he (the chairman) would have to leave the chair, as the Mathews, of which he was a delegate, would not have anything to do with the election of a chief marshal at this time and that he could not remain in the position of chairman and be one of a number of delegates opposed to business on hand.

Different ones were nominated to act in the capacity of chairman, but they all refused to serve and several of the delegates insisted upon Mr. Mullaney continuing in the position as he had proven himself an impartial and efficient chairman. Mr. Mullaney reluctantly consented to keep the position. Mr. Muldoon moved to adjourn until Wednesday night. The motion was seconded and the delegates were asked to vote by the raising of hands and the motion was defeated.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I. nominated Mr. Edward A. McKinley of the Y. M. C. I. for chief marshal and he was closely followed by the nomination of Mr. C. H. Molloy, by a delegate of the A. O. H.

Mr. James Greeley made the motion at this point, to adjourn until next Sunday afternoon, and the motion became a vote.

The parade men were not at all satisfied with the result and they said they looked upon the motion as an attempt to side-track the carrying out of parade arrangements. It is expected that the meeting next Sunday afternoon will be a lively one.

"AUNT JERUSHA."

"Aunt Jerusha" who is an amiable, amusing character, will introduce herself and her Sure Luck at the new Music hall tonight for three nights and Wednesday matinee commencing tonight. She will appear with a family of fifteen members who are able to aid her in entertaining play-goers and a cordial reception no doubt awaits her here.

Those who appreciate merit on the stage will find material for admiration. "Aunt Jerusha" is a musical comedy. Miss Jennie Wetmore, a clever character actress, will appear in the title role. The piece was constructed to amuse and it has found favor wherever presented. It is in three acts, the scenes of which are laid on the New Jersey coast. The piece is equipped with a competent cast and is entitled to generous consideration from local playgoers, as singing and dancing specialties, grand special scenery, the celebrated Ritter Rood Farm Rube quartette and the great shipwreck scene in the first act make it the greatest of all New England plays.

HARRY S. CORNISH

WHOSE NAME IS CONNECTED WITH N. Y. POISONING CASE KNOWN IN LOWELL.

Harry S. Cornish who is one of the principals in the notorious New York poisoning case is well known by a number of Lowell sportsmen. On July 2, 1892, there was an important meet in this city between the B. A. A. and the L. C. A. A. and Mr. Cornish acted in the capacity of handicapper for those events. Among those in this city who will remember the part that Cornish took in this meet are Hon. Charles D. Palmer, Fisher H. Pearson, Patrolman Matt McCann, Dr. C. E. Snyder, Thomas H. Kelley, Dr. Arthur H. McCann, veterinary surgeon and others.

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ANARCHY REIGNS

In Paris Since Loubet's Election.

THE FRIENDS OF EMPIRE CAUSE RIOTS.

Cavalry Unable to Suppress the Riots.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Feb. 20—Paris is in a state of siege.

The anti-Loubet demonstrations were resumed tonight with greater spirit and better organization than last night.

Traffic along the boulevard is stopped. Cavalry with drawn swords are clearing the streets.

Augmented bodies of police are capturing all stragglers from the wandering mobs.

The poorly lighted side streets present scenes of the greatest hubbub and confusion.

I have seen half a dozen English men and women driven to the shelter of private houses. One pair was pursued with shouts of "English scoundrels" as the door closed behind them.

Cries of "Panama," "Vive Loubet," "Spit on Loubet," "Revision," "Vive L'Armee," and "Down with Hebrews" filled the air.

There was a hum of voices from the opera corner to near Porte St. Denis, and everywhere animation and terror.

All the anti-revision papers today violently assail the new president, shrieking for his instant resignation.

Deroulede and his followers are planning a disturbance at tomorrow's meeting of the chamber of deputies.

The friends of empire are actively plotting the overthrow of the republic.

POLICE COURT

TWENTY-SIX DRUNKS BEFORE JUDGE HADLEY TODAY

An unusually large crowd was in police court this morning. Not only was the dock and female prisoners' seats in front of the dock filled but also the witnesses' sets in the court room. There were twenty-six drunks to greet Judge Hadley. John C. White, Margaret Cavnaugh, William Harris and Bridget Hunt were each fined $2.

Daniel F. Sullivan, Ellen Hardy, John Donovan, David Howe, William C. Sullivan, William E. Gilman and Louis Mulhinch, all Sunday drunks were fined $5 each.

Peter Choratos and James Courmandos for drunkenness were each fined $2, and for disturbing the peace were each fined $5.

Joseph Tulley and Thomas Fahey were each sentenced to the state farm at Bridgewater. The latter appealed and was ordered in $200 to the Superior Court.

Joseph A. Burtt, for drunkenness, an old offender was sentenced to three months to the workhouse.

Jos. E. Fitzgerald for drunkenness and assault was sentenced to eight months in jail.

George Faro charged with assault on Edward Laboque had his case continued, the complainant being at St. John's hospital with a broken leg as a result of the assault.

Eugene Gauthier was charged with larceny, two counts, the complainant being Oscar Durand and Joseph Merlin, both of Billerica. He was ordered in $200 until next Saturday for trial.

Lizzie Clark a third offender, drunkness was sentenced six months in jail.

The remaining drunks, all first cases were each fined $1 and released by court.

Mary Dubias a continued case, for larceny had probable cause found against her and was ordered in $200 to the superior court.

BRISK BLAZE.

IN THE EAGLE BLOCK ON MIDDLESEX STREET.

A still alarm at 6.20 o'clock Saturday night called the fire apparatus to the Eagle block in Middlesex street where a brisk blaze caused by the dropping of a lighted lamp, was under way. The woman who occupied the room lost about $100 worth of furniture and clothing and the building was damaged about $20 or $25 it being necessary to rip the plastering from one of the partitions in order to get at the fire which had worked between the lathing.

Edward P. Dudley and George Colbeck of St. Johnsbury, Vt., were the guests of Miss Maude Moody and the Misses Tyobey during the past week.

"The Thorn Comes Forth With Point Forward."

The thorn point of disease is an ache or pain. But the blood is the feeder of the whole body. Purify it with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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APPROPRIATIONS

THE COMMITTEE HELD ITS FINAL MEETING SATURDAY.

The committee on appropriations held its final meeting on Saturday night, and remained in session until 10.30 o'clock. Andrew G. Swapp, chairman of the school board, appeared before the committee to explain the items of the school estimate and Councilman Saunders spoke in opposition to giving the amount previously voted, and asked the chairman many questions. The report was signed later by all the members, although Mr. Saunders said that he did not wish it to be understood that he agreed with the amount recommended for schools. It was voted not to give out the report until it is presented to the city council. It is the same as previously outlined, with a few minor changes.

DEATHS.

STILLINGS—Joseph A. Stillings died Saturday at his late home, 22 C street, aged 53 years. Deceased leaves his widow, one sister, Mrs. E. Thompson of Wolfboro', N. H., and four brothers, Rufus of Dover, N. H., James of Wolfboro, N. H., and Frank and Charles of Ossipee, N. H. Funeral tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

BURT—Charles H. Burt of the firm of C. E. Foss & Co., died at his home, 99 South Loring street, yesterday morning, aged 59 years and 9 months. He leaves a wife and two daughters, Mrs. H. S. Greenwood and Mrs. B. W. Clements.

FRYE—Marshall Frye, an old resident of the city and father of Dr. Charles M. Frye, died yesterday at the home of his son, 82 Dover street, aged 82 years, 6 months. Mr. Frye came to this city in 1867 and was greatly beloved by all who knew him. Besides his son, he leaves a stepdaughter, Mrs. M. L. Hamblet and a wide circle of friends to mourn his loss.

TOTMAN—Mr. Stark Totman whose death was briefly mentioned in Saturday's Sun was at the time of his demise residing in Roxbury. He was born in Woodstock, Vt., 76 years ago. For some time after coming to Lowell he was associated in business with Mr. S. T. Lancaster in the tailoring establishment at the corner of Central and Hurd streets. In the year 1870, he entered into partnership with Mr. C. I. Hood in the drug business and was a member of the firm until October, 1876, when Mr. Hood bought out his interest. Mr. Totman left Lowell soon afterward. The deceased was a widower and he leaves no family. Funeral services were held at his home in Roxbury yesterday afternoon and burial was in this city this afternoon.

O'CONNELL—James O'Connell, aged 58 years, a veteran of the civil war, died Saturday afternoon at his home, 158 Colburn street. He leaves a widow, five sons and a daughter; also a sister, Mrs. Patrick Meade. The funeral took place this morning and services were held at St. Patrick's church. Rev. Timothy Callahan celebrated the mass and the choir rendered the Schmidt requiem. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery and the bearers were James Duffy, Michael Mullen, John Gallagher, Daniel Murphy, Patrick Crowley and Thomas Tully. Undertaker O'Donnell had charge.

PATTERSON—John B. Patterson, aged 42 years, died Saturday night at his home, 58 Kinsman street.

MUELLER—Andrew Mueller, aged 45 years, died Saturday at his home, 139 Shawmut avenue, Boston. He was a brother of George Mueller of J. F. O'Donnell's, this city. Funeral services were held this morning at Holy Trinity church and burial was in the Calvary cemetery.

KEARNEY—Agnes J., daughter of James and Agnes Kearney, died Saturday night at 15 Reed court, off Lakeview avenue, her parents' home. She was six years and the loss to the bereaved parents is made greater by the fact that the little one had been ill but a short time and death was most unexpected. The funeral was held this afternoon and burial was in the Catholic cemetery in charge of Undertaker Molloy.

MELLEN—James P., infant son of Lawrence and Annie Mellen, died last night at his parents' home, 87 Summer street. The funeral took place this afternoon and interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

McGRADE—William, infant son of James and Annie McGrade died yesterday, 770 Central street. Interment was day afternoon at the home of his parents in the Catholic cemetery.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

LAWRENCE WOMAN DESPONDENT AND INHALED CHLOROFORM.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Lizzie M. Daley, who conducted a boarding house at 409 Canal street committed suicide yesterday afternoon by inhaling chloroform. The act was committed some time early in the afternoon but it was not discovered until about four o'clock. Mrs. Daley was the widow of Andrew Daley, well known here years ago as a caterer. She had conducted the boarding house on Canal street for several years. She had been in poor health for some time and was at times despondent. The discovery of the suicide was made by her son. Mrs. Daley went to her room soon after dinner yesterday. When her son entered the room a few hours later he noticed a pungent odor of chloroform. His worst fears were realized when he attempted to arouse his mother. Medical Examiner Howe was notified and he viewed the remains. Mrs. Daley was 62 years of age and is survived by two sons, Elmer, clerk at the Franklin House, Lawrence, and John A., of Andover.

FUNERALS.

DANE—The funeral of the late Lucy B. Dane took place yesterday afternoon from her late home in Billerica Centre. Among the large attendance at the funeral exercises were delegations of the Daughters of Rebekahs and of the G. A. R. Women's Relief Corps. Services were impressively conducted by Rev. M. O. Simonds and there was singing of appropriate hymns by the choir of the Baptist church of Billerica. There were many beautiful floral tributes including a broken lyre from the Rebekahs; a broken wreath and sickle from the Women's Relief Corps; a large star of narcissus, hyacinths, pinks and roses from Mrs. F. H. Parker; spray of roses, Mrs. S. Tucker and Mr. H. Baldwin. There was a large profusion of other floral tributes surrounding the casket in which reposed the bodies of both the mother and infant child; the mother having died in child-birth.

Burial was in the Edson cemetery, Lowell, and the pall-bearers were: Messrs. Charles Parker, A. P. Read, A. Hubbard and C. F. Morey.

TOES FROZEN.

William H. Kelley was taken to the city farm Saturday night in the ambulance as his toes were frozen.

Miss Inez F. Williamson, formerly employed at the manufactory of Otis Allen & Son, for some years, has accepted a position in Boston where she will be employed as court reporter.

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THE "AUTO-TRUCK"

Compressed Air as Motive Power for Trucks.

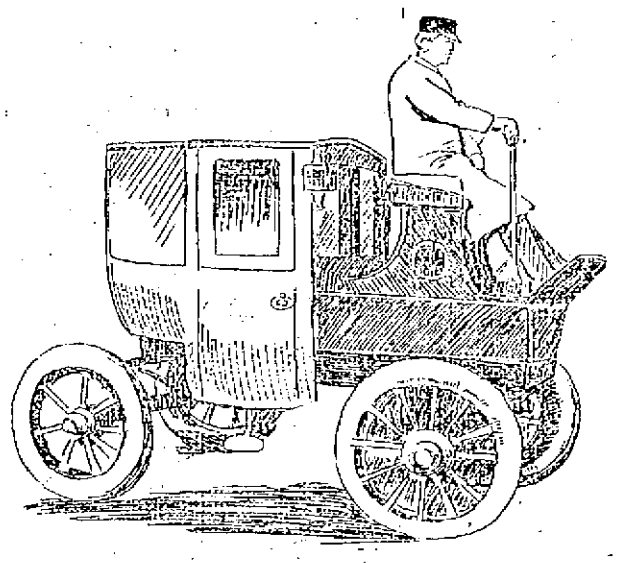
DAWN OF THE HORSELESS AGE.

Truc men Say It Cannot Replace Horses.

Millions of people in New York and other large cities,—but especially in New York, are interested in a machine to which the name of "auto-truck" has been given. The question is whether the compressed air-motor to be used in propelling the truck will drive horses from the streets, so far as heavy traffic is concerned, or whether the truckmen now in business will prove correct in their assertion that no motor can equal the horse with its muscle directed by intelligence in dragging heavy loads through metropolitan thoroughfares. There are about seventeen thousand truckmen in New York city alone who make a living under the present system. They are universally or almost universally opposed to a change; but their opposition would, of course, stand no more in the way of the "auto-truck" than hostility of the stage-coach owners to railways, if the compressed air-motor should prove to be practical and beneficial. An interesting feature of the truck controversy is that prominent politicians in New York and Washington are acting with, and interested in the "auto-truck" and that the compressed air motor has behind it that powerful political motor called "Tammany Hall." Notwithstanding formal denials, there is ground for believing also that the New York or Manhattan Elevated Railway interests are in alliance with the "auto-truck" and as the Brooklyn Elevated Railways seem likely to come under the control of Ex-Governor Flower, the surface road magnate, it is evident that the field of the compressed air motor is vast and promising, and there may be millions in it for all interested.

A reporter was specially detailed to get the inner facts regarding the "auto-truck." As the information comes mainly from those who have a financial interest in the project, it may, perhaps, hold out too sanguine a prospect for the innovation. The purpose of the reporter has been to get facts and present them clearly and succinctly to the readers; there is no doubt that much that is valuable in throwing light upon the subject is here published for the first time.

A corporation has been formed entitled the New York Auto-Truck company, with a capital of ten million dollars, that promises to control the trucking business of New York and other cities. Trucks are in process of construction. They will be owned by the company and none will be sold. These trucks will be run for twenty-five miles with one charge of compressed air, at a minimum cost of one cent per mile.



The Auto-Truck, Driven By Compressed Air-Motor, Which is Common in New York.

The list of those chiefly interested in the New York Auto-Truck company includes Richard Croker, Senator Arthur P. Gorman, Joseph H. Hoadley, Nathan Straus, Lewis Nixon and Robert McKinstrey. It is a companion concern to the International Air-Power company, which has a capital of seven million dollars, and which will, when fully prepared, devote itself to constructing the trucks. The latter company has the exclusive right in all the patents throughout the world, which the American Air-Power company formerly owned, except the street car rights of North and South America, which the American Air-Power company still holds. Joseph H. Hoadley is one of the organizers of this company. The patents to be used by the New York Auto-Truck company are controlled by Joseph Leiter of Chicago.

The men interested in the international Air-Power company are Joseph H. Hoadley, William Knight, H. E. Knight, and Robert I. McKinstrey of New York and Edward F. Glenn of Philadelphia. Ex-District Attorney Graham of Philadelphia is counsel of the International Air-Power company, and Judge Augustus Van Wyck, the defeated democratic candidate for governor of New York, is counsel of the New York Auto-Truck company.

THE AUTO-TRUCK VERSUS THE HORSE.

Other "auto-truck" companies have been formed through the country—the Philadelphia Auto-Truck company with a capital of ten million dollars; the Chicago Auto-Truck company with a capital of ten million dollars; and the Denver and St. Louis Auto-Truck company with a capital of five million dollars. Eventually these companies may form a trust, with a combined capital of thirty-five million dollars, in an endeavor to drive small truckmen out of business. The truckmen laugh at this suggestion and profess to believe the "auto-truck" to be impracticable. They argue that, the motor being in the rear, it will be impossible to turn even a light truck off a car track, when it is once there, and they point out other numerous advantages of the horse over inanimate power.

Power stations will be built at various points throughout the city. A system of pipes connecting with these stations will be laid beneath the streets. These pipes will connect with hydrants similar in appearance to water-hydrants. A truck will stop, make connections, and in two minutes, will be replenished with compressed air. The conduits beneath the streets will be ordinary iron pipes, two and one-half inches in diameter, while the pipe which supplies the air to the truck will be about one-half to an inch in diameter. Together with these may be laid two other pipes, one for water and the other for steam, for purposes yet to be explained.

The air bottles or tanks, varying in number according to the size of the truck, are placed beneath the floor, between two axles. These air-reservoirs are seamless steel bottles. An average truck requires nine of these bottles, placed in the manner shown in the accompanying picture of a heavy yard truck. In a wagon truck these reservoirs are fewer than in the yard truck higher from the ground and out of all danger of being damaged. The motor is iron-clad, and rests in the middle, on the rear-axle, and is driven in the middle by means of the gear. This does away with the side rods of the old-style air-motor, prevents indirect swaying and is considered a great improvement.

HOW THE POWER IS APPLIED.

A heavy truck has a heater under the center of the floor, which consists of a seamless steel flask charged with hot water under a pressure of from one hundred and fifty to three hundred pounds per square inch heated by steam at the same time the air reservoirs are being filled at the charging stations en route. A pipe leads from the air-reservoirs to a combined reducing and throttle valve, which lessens the storage pressure to the working power. But before the pipe reaches the reducing valve, it passes several times around the heater, so that the air can receive heat to prevent the freezing of any moisture that may be in it.

When the air is reduced to about three hundred and twenty pounds of pressure per square inch, it passes through a coiled pipe placed in the reheater, which raises the temperature of the air, causes it to expand, and naturally increases its working capacity. Again before this air goes into the high pressure cylinder, hot water is injected into it by the opening of automatic valves. A part of this water is instantly vaporized and takes the place of the steam already used in the working cylinders. After leaving the high-pressure cylinders, the air is again warmed by causing it to flow through pipes in the hot water heater. Again hot water is sprayed into the pipes containing the air, before the latter passes to the low-pressure cylinder. In this, it is found that the results of reheating are slight in comparison with those in the high pressure cylinder. So perfect yet simple, is the mechanism throughout, that the vales respond instantly to their requirements. There is also a hand valve, in the same pipe as the automatic water valve, that enables the amount of water to be adjusted as may be thought expedient.

NO EXPOSED MACHINERY.

One of the many advantages of the Headley-Knight motor over the old-style air-motors is that there is no exposed machinery. All of the moving parts of the motor proper run in a cast iron box, or casing, which is partly filled with oil. They are thereby continuously lubricating themselves. With this system, oil cups are unnecessary.

After a careful estimate, it has been found that during service, about thirty five per cent. of the indicated power of the compressor is delivered at the axle in driving the motor and of the total amount stored, about one-half is available in the motors. If it were not for the reheater, this would be reduced by at least fifty per cent. It has been proven by tests that the cost of re-heating is about one-fifth of the cost of compressing the air.

The "auto-truck" is absolutely under the control of the motorman, who sits comfortably on an ordinary wagon seat. The steering apparatus is similar to that of the yard truck,—two horizontal wheels, one below the other. The upper wheel is the controller. On the "auto-trucks" the controlling and steering apparatus will have the appearance of that on an auto-mobile carriage. The motor is controlled by varying the cut-off, also by the throttle, the two being operated simultaneously. A forward movement of the single controller starts the truck, and the propelling force is proportional to the distance it is moved from the starting point, so that any degree of quickness can be obtained. A backward movement to the starting point brings the valve to a minimum cut-off, and closes the throttle; while a still further backward movement reverses the motor and opens the throttle to back the truck. No brakes are required and the truck can be brought to a standstill at a moment's notice. Thus, it starts and stops with greater promptness than any former invention of motor power. It is claimed that, while a horse finds it difficult to draw a load of two tons, the "auto-truck" will move easily along with five times asserted that the "auto-truck" can turn that load at the rate of eight miles an hour to a horse's four miles. It is also almost in its own tracks.

RECEPTION NOTICE.

The reception to Teacher Coughlin postponed from February 13th, will be held at High school hall on Wednesday evening next, February 22nd, at 8 o'clock.

You are cordially invited with friends to be present.

Very truly,
P. Keyes, Jr.,
For the Committee.

Cedar Rapids Gazette—Massachusetts promoters propose to organize a trust for the control of the sale of writing paper. The alphabet will remain free to the use of the people until such time as some company gets a patent thereon. It will be necessary to corner the correspondence of the people by some more comprehensive means than a trust in paper. They will be able to write with shoe polish and keep even with the game.

COULD NOT SLEEP.

Mrs. Pinkham Relieved Her of All Her Troubles.

Mrs. MADGE BABCOCK, 176 Second St., Grand Rapids, Mich., had ovarian trouble with its attendant aches and pains, now she is well. Here are her own words: "Your Vegetable Compound has made me feel like a new person. Before I began taking it I was all run down, felt tired and sleepy most of the time, had pains in my back and side, and such terrible headaches all the time, and could not sleep well nights. I also had ovarian trouble. Through the advice of a friend I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and since taking it all troubles have gone. My monthly sickness used to be so painful, but have not had the slightest pain since taking your medicine. I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound too much. My husband and friends see such a change in me. I look so much better and have some color in my face."

Mrs. Pinkham invites women who are ill to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is freely offered.

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Need Something to Help Them Preserve Their Waning Vitality.

With Advanced Years Great Care and Caution are Necessary.

Anything That Will Enable the Stomach to Better Digest Food is Invaluable.

Vinol, Wine of Cod Liver Oil, is Old People's Best Friend.

This Great Tonic Reconstructor Aids Digestion, and Gives to the Feeble Renewed Vigor.

We Guarantee to Aged People that Vinol will enable them to regain Strength.

Try this Scientific Rebuilder, and see if what we claim for it is not so.

If you are not thoroughly satisfied with the action of Vinol, we will return your money.

When any one has reached an age where they are on the downward path of life, something should be given to help Nature husband the declining strength. Old people frequently resort to stimulants for this purpose. Stimulants are useful sometimes in cases of the most extreme weakness, but there is always that awful after-effect.

What is needed more particularly is a tonic that brings renewed vigor, and one that directly aids in the creation of new and healthy tissue. The one tonic above all others that will do this, and do it surely, is Vinol, Wine of Cod Liver Oil. Vinol, by its favorable action upon the stomach, enables this organ to obtain the proper nourishment from the food to make new and healthy flesh, rich, pure blood, and sound muscles.

The effect of Vinol you will find to be sure and very quickly perceptible. The fact that Vinol is most delicious to the taste, and unlike all cod liver oil preparations, contains no fat or grease, makes it an appetizing luxury.

MR. E. H. STORY, 210A School Street, Somerville, Mass., says: "I had been confined to the house most of the winter. My doctor recommended that I should try Vinol. Let me say right here that Vinol is all right as far as taste and smell goes. So pleasant did Vinol taste that I could not conceive how it would do any one any good. It has done me good, however. I am now gaining flesh, and eat and sleep as a well man should. I feel like a boy again. Your Vinol deserves good luck."

This is only one case of many that we have heard of. We have every reason to indorse Vinol as thoroughly as we do. We will refund, to any one who is not satisfied that Vinol does all we claim for it, the money they pay for the remedy.

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NEARLY KILLED

Tramp Assaulted a Lowell Man.

THE LATTER USED AXE WITH GOOD EFFECT.

The Intruder's Intent Was Robbery.

Peter Trainor, a former resident of Lowell, but now of Holliston, was murderously attacked at his home in the latter place Friday afternoon by an unknown tramp. The tramp entered Mr. Trainor's kitchen and stealing up behind the latter dealt him a heavy blow over the head with a shovel. Although Mr. Trainor was temporarily stunned by the blow but he recovered shortly. Meanwhile, the tramp believing him to be unconscious made his way through the apartments of the dwelling and was about to proceed from the house when Mr. Trainor who had seized an axe, struck him in the head with the weapon, felling him to the ground where he lay with the blood flowing in a stream from an ugly wound.

Mr. Trainor then went to notify the authorities and when he returned the tramp had disappeared. By blood-stains on the snow he was tracked to the woods where the trail was lost. The Holliston police are searching the neighborhood for a clue to the whereabouts of the man.

FUNERALS.

DUDLEY—The funeral of the late Aroline Dudley took place Saturday afternoon from the residence of Mr. Geo. Chase of 13 Lincoln street, Saturday afternoon and was very largely attended. Services were impressively conducted by Rev. C. L. Merriam, pastor of the Highland Congregational church and there were renditions of very appropriate hymns. The interment was in the School street cemetery and the pall bearers were Messrs. William Landers, William Prescott, Albert Dearth and A. Dana.

PRESTON—The funeral of the late Alonzo K. Preston took place Saturday afternoon from the establishment of C. M. Young & Co., Rev. R. A. Greene officiating. The interment was in the Grand Army lot in the Lowell cemetery.

BURKE—Funeral services over the remains of the late Edmund Burke were held yesterday afternoon at St. Peter's church. The church was thronged with friends and relatives of the deceased who also followed the remains to the Catholic cemetery. Rev. Fr. Mullin officiated at the church and the choir rendered vocal selections. On the entry of the sorrowful procession to the church, Mr. James E. Donnelly rendered "No Cross, No Crown" and Miss Louise McLaughlin sang "Angels Ever Bright and Fair," as the body was being removed from the church. At the grave Rev. Fr. Mullin officiated. The bearers were Patrick Mooney, Richard Welch, Terrence Cox, Arthur Brett, James Hood and George Burke. The floral tributes were: Pillow resting on base, the love token of the bereaved sisters of deceased. On the pillow was inscribed the word "Brother." Standing wreath inscribed "Farewell" suspended from mammoth base, Miss Lillian Farley; cross on base with inscription "Eddie" Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Donovan; twenty-two roses, Miss Helen Burke of Boston, a sister of deceased; spray of roses, Mr. Arthur Brett; spray of pinks, Mr. Patrick Mooney; spray of roses, Donovan family; spray of pinks and roses, Miss Jennie Logan; spray of roses, Mr. and Mrs. Van Hise. Undertaker Savage directed the funeral.

MOONEY—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Mooney of Evergreen street, Chelmsford, took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from her home. The bearers were Charles Anderson, John Norton, John McCaffrey, and Michael Flynn. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery in Lowell in charge of Undertaker Savage.

GODDARD—The funeral of Caroline Goddard took place Saturday afternoon from the home of her parents, Charles R. and Blanche, 30 Marlborough street. Rev. W. A. Bartlett officiated and Miss Hathaway sang. Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

McNAUGHTON—The funeral of Walter B. McNaughton took place yesterday at his home in North Chelmsford and Rev. Robert Dunbar conducted the services. Undertaker Young had charge of the arrangements and the bearers were Charles, P. A., and J. R. Carkin and James Wotton. George Elliott and Walter Brown. The burial was in Tyngsboro.

DAWSON—Maurice R. Dawson, infant son of George B. and Marion J. Dawson, died Saturday at the home of his parents, 49 Coburn avenue. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, Rev. D. A. MacPhie officiating. Interment was in the Edson cemetery.

JEWETT—The funeral of Miss Emma L. Jewett took place Saturday afternoon from the home of her sister, Mrs. George H. Morse, Eighth street. Rev. L. C. Manchester officiated and there was singing by a male quartette. The bearers were: Mr. Marcellus Greenwood, Mr. J. W. Wilson, Mr. Lewis Worthley and Mr. Frank H. Adams. Interment was in the Lowell cemetery.

DEERING—Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah Deering were conducted yesterday at her late home, No. 36 Cosgrove street, by Rev. C. W. Huntington. J. B. Currier had charge of the funeral arrangements and burial was in the No. 2 burying ground.

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Harry A. Brown	5.00
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George G. Read	5.00
J. B. Trueworthy	5.00
Frederick D. Burbeck	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Larkin T. Trull	25.00
E. H. Adams	5.00
Charles F. Blanchard	5.00
Mrs. George Runels	10.00
Mrs. Annie E. Sherman	5.00
Adelbert Ames	5.00
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E. T. Rowell	20.00
Total	$476.00

MRS. ANNA A. ROBINSON, Chosen Department President of the Women's Relief Corps by the Convention Held Last Week in Boston.

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5 Days' Sale of Floor Coverings, Beginning Tuesday Morning at 8 O'Clock.

This gigantic sacrifice which we propose to make this week on CARPETS, MATTINGS, LINOLEUMS and RUGS, will be on what is known to the trade as dropped styles, surplus stock, short lengths and odds and ends which we want to dispose of prior to the completion of alterations now going on in our Garpet Room. No need of further comment. Come and see the values.

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20 rolls of Lowell and Philadelphia Ingrain Carpets, positively worth 65 to 75c,

Price this week 47 1-2c per yard

50 rolls of best 10 wire Tapestry, including Roxbury, Sanford & Smith's best productions; these are positively 85c grades,

Price this week, 65c per yard

36 rolls best 9 wire Tapestry Carpets that sold regularly for 75c,

Price for this week 55c per yard

30 rolls of Smith's Best Moquette Carpets, our regular $1.25 grade; these are dropped styles only.

Price for this week, 90c per yard

LINOLEUMS.

27 rolls of Nairne best Linoleums in very choice colorings; sold always $1.00 per yard,

Price for this week, 79c per yard

Sampson's Best Oil Cloths, usually sold at 50c,

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MATTINGS.

60 rolls of fine China Jointless Matting, sold to date 30c,

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How many fail to hit the centre of the ring in business life, from various causes. Chief among these is the quality of goods offered to the public. We pride ourselves on being the

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Simply when we guarantee a shoe we stand back of it. We mean what we say. All goods sold by us, if not proven as per our guarantee, we will gladly give new goods. Always pleased to show goods whether you buy or not.

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Fore Quarters, 8 cents pound.
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Diamond Medal Flour $4.75.
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THE SUN has a larger circulation than any two other papers in Lowell, and it is the cheapest advertising medium in this city on the basis of actual circulation. It's

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENTERPRISE.

With a no-license year at hand, there is a great opportunity for the liquor merchants of Lowell to branch out into some other business. Lowell has long been distressed by the fact that she had to depend mainly upon the textile industry. When that became depressed and no industry is more susceptible to the fluctuations of business—the entire city was affected. When hard times came, Lowell suffered more than any city that had a variety of industries and—as it is with all such cities. The textile industry is the most sensitive and precarious in the country, and it behooves the city of Lowell to depend upon it only as little as possible. The competition of the southern mills in handicapping the north, and the shorter hours here weighs something also in the scale of comparison between the north and south. The time is not far distant when Lowell will have to look to some other industry than that carried on in our cotton and woolen mills.

Now that 84 men of prominence are getting out of a business in which they can never avoid the unpleasant thought that their profits are drawn mainly from the hard earnings foolishly spent of the toilers in our workshops and factories. To some men this thought must be very disagreeable. Besides there are other disagreeable features about the business, not the least being its uncertainty, that should render it less desirable than it appears to be with those engaged in it. Of late years with the added restrictions it is absolutely impossible to comply with the law in every respect and at the same time do a paying business. With all these disadvantages, it is strange if so many men will live idly for a year with the hope of getting a chance to re-enter the business should the city return to license. In the first place they are, not by any means certain that the city will return to license, and in the second place, no man, unless he has a pull with the syndicate, is sure that he will get a license. Under such circumstances would it not be best for as many as possible of the liquor dealers to branch into some other business. Times are looking better and many fields are open to enterprise with a fair prospect of success. There is plenty of room for shoe shops, furniture factories, clothing factories, electric works; there is not only room but there is need for a first class hotel; there is opportunity to make money in the manufacture of bicycles and auto-mobile carriages, as well as a thousand other things, which will readily suggest themselves to shrewd business men. There is an opportunity for the profitable investment of capital in homes for the working people in the suburbs, so as to afford as many as possible a fair share of God's pure air and healthful surroundings. If the liquor dealers who will go out of business on May 1st, want to benefit themselves and the city they should branch out into some new and creditable enterprise.

AGAINST MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION.

Throughout the country there is an outcry against municipal corruption, and it is charged that it is largely due to the failure of the business men to perform their full political duties. It is alleged that they fail to attend the caucuses that they let the nominations go by default and leave the selection of candidates to the operatives. Then when election day comes, they are unable to right the wrong that has been done. In New England cities, there has been a tendency to bring the men who practice corruption to prompt account. In Lowell there have been several sentences and at present the former head of the lands and buildings department is under indictment for a crooked transaction. In Lawrence city officials have been prosecuted for dishonesty and in Haverhill aldermen have been sent to jail, while similar cases might be cited in almost every other city in the state. In Boston at present a trial is in progress arising from alleged frauds in the street department while there are undoubtedly others equally culpable that have escaped notice. If the citizens maintain vigilance that may be necessary to detect corruption and punish the guilty parties, they will have taken the first step to stamp out dishonesty in municipal government. A great deal of course can be done by improving the system so that there will not be such an opportunity for the practice of dishonesty in the various departments. In this regard it might be stated that the resolution introduced by Councilman O'Brien to have a list of the employes of the street departments, the amount of their earnings and the work performed published every year is commendable. It would be a check upon the department which would be useful to the citizens in general. Still, it appears that the republicans are not ready to favor such a scheme and the citizens are wondering why.

A MUNICIPAL STORE.

The city of Rochester, N. Y., has an economical method of relieving its poor. It has a municipal storehouse which secures all the necessary supplies at wholesale prices and thus avoids the custom of giving orders on stores at retail prices. Before the applicants receive aid at this store they must certify that they do not own a bicycle. A few restrictions of this kind prevent the free distribution of relief to undeserving applicants. In some cities the applicants have been known to call daily for their allowance and ride off with their parcels on a bicycle. In the city of Waterbury, Ct., an applicant for relief spent the dollar given him in renewing the license on his dog and yet this was more excusable than spending the money in drink as many do. It is such cases that cause the deserving cases to be subjected to unnecessary scrutiny before relief is granted. The present purchasing agent would be just the man to start up such a store in Lowell, although if it could not be run more economically than the woodyard it would not be a paying investment.

With the war tax and the high tariff the revenue for the year shows a large deficit and there is talk of a bond issue. It might be supposed that the war tax would suffice to meet all expenditures, but with the increased demands upon the government there must be more money. The investigating commissions come high, and we have got to have them to whitewash the incompetents, and blacken and defame the only men of ability connected with the war department. If this be so with our small army, what would be the condition if we had a standing army of 100,000?

CURRENT COMMENT.

Boston Traveler—For six years' gallant service as rear admiral in the United States navy George Dewey will receive $28,000. During a six years' vacation granted him by McKinley as "punishment" Hagan will receive $33,000. Who will say that republics are ungrateful?

Manchester Union—A court martial at Washington has sentenced a private soldier for some trivial offence to two months at hard labor with partial loss of pay. The commissary general, for blackguarding the senior major general, gets six years' vacation on full pay. But the private doesn't happen to be a friend of Alger.

Cohoes Dispatch—The genuine American patriots imbued with the proper spirit of liberty cannot consistently exult as they read of the subjugation of the insurgents in Manila whose purpose is evidently to fight as was that of Washington and the continental army 123 years ago. Every true American should hang his head in shame as he realizes that greed and selfishness have seemed the mastery over patriotism in the honored land of the free and the home of the brave.

Atchison Globe—Have you remarked how important the army and navy are of late? Have you remarked how much time they take up in congress? Have you remarked how high they rank in the appropriation bills? This is the way it goes in the old countries which are ruled by the army and navy. America has always been a particularly desirable place to live in because the plain people were superior to the army and navy. The foolish expansion policy is changing all this in addition to costing us more money than we can afford.

A rumor was afloat in Fall River Saturday to the effect that the licensed liquor dealers who have been paying large sums for permits had entered complaints against the dives which do a big business on Sundays, and that as a result there would soon be a new order of things in that city.

New spring hats have made their appearance.

The man who didn't clean his sidewalk off ought to be ——, well, ask yourself when you fall down.

Eczema.

Mr. H. T. Shobe, 2704 Lucas Ave., St. Louis, Mo., says: "My daughter had Eczema, which covered her head and spread to her face. She was treated by physicians and taken to celebrated health springs, but only grew worse. Many patent medicines were taken, but without result, until we decided to try S. S. S. A dozen bottles cured her completely and left her skin perfectly smooth. Not a sign of the dreadful disease has ever returned."

S.S.S. For The Blood

(Swift's Specific) is the only cure for Eczema, and all other obstinate blood diseases. Valuable books mailed free by Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

LITERARY GOSSIP.

Among the books just published by the Macmillan company is one by Gamaliel Bradford, entitled, "The Lesson of Popular Government." It is a constructive and critical attempt to show that not only does the trend of events tend to show that democracy is a form of government that will remain, but that in spite of its apparent defects it is the best form of government that has so far developed. Another book that promises to prove interesting to students of political economy is "The Development of English Thought" by Prof. S. N. Patten. The purpose of this book is to bring out the connection between the economic events that determine a nation's prosperity and the thought and feelings of the people.

The annual summary number of the "Publishers' Weekly," gives some interesting statistics regarding books published last year from which we cull the following. In the United States no less than 4,886 titles appeared, of which 4,332 were of new books and 554 new editions. It would seem that American authors are becoming less prolific, for they wrote only 2908 books as against 3,318 in 1897. In England there were published last year 6093 new books and 1568 new editions. In France the number of books published during 1898 reached the surprising total of 11,781 or nearly one-fifth more than in both England and the United States together.

"How Count Tolstoi Lives and Works," by S. Sergyeenko has been translated from the Russian by Isabel F. Hapgood for Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. The work is fully illustrated.

SOMETHING OF THE MAN CYRANO

Given a historical personage or period, the more noteworthy the better, a fair knowledge of whichever may be selected as subject, a good imagination not necessarily too scrupulous as to fact and a flowing pen, and you have all the elements necessary for the making of the so-called historical novel. This species of story is almost sure to possess a certain interest; it borrows it if we may say so, from the characters portrayed. From the standpoint of the novelist, it does not particularly matter how faithfully these characters are painted or what words may be put in their mouths. His work is to secure and hold the attention of the reader, and he is not necessarily required to confine himself strictly to fact. In just this lies the chief objection to dressing history in the garb of fiction, and it often becomes a very serious one, so serious as to raise the question whether the historical novel is not in fact of decidedly baneful influence. It may, often does, convey inaccurate information create wrong impressions, and thus confuse the reader in a way that is anything but to his advantage.

Through Rostand's play, which after almost monopolizing the stage, has now found its way into the courts, a quite general interest has been aroused in Cyrano de Bergerac. We know something of what this man left to succeeding generations; but just what he himself was and how he lived we know little except that he was born about 1620 and died in 1655, had an unusually prominent nose, a quick wit and temper, knew how to handle his blade with rare skill and was alway ready to use it. His intellect was keen, his opinions pronounced, his beliefs radical. His writings were of the same character. Molière may have borrowed from them and some (as, "Swift's Travels" in Cyrano's "Comic History of the States of the Moon." This is about all we really have regarding the unique Savinien Cyrano de Bergerac.

Availing himself of the present interest in this man, M. Gallet has taken such meagre facts as exist and about them built the story we have before us. It is likely enough to be true and may be so accepted in the absence of anything to the contrary. And in this particular case it does not make any very material difference if the author has drawn freely upon his imagination to fill in the many gaps. We notice he has Cyrano fighting a duel over his famous tragedy, "Agrippine" whereas the playwright's close friend, Lebret, asserts that he never fought a duel on account of any personal quarrel. However this may be, the author has produced an interesting easy story, full of exciting incident and well calculated to leave a good impression of its subject.

FALLING PRICES AND THE REMEDY.

The heart of the people always rises to the hour and the man. The present hour of financial anxiety certainly has the heart as well as the ear of the nation. The man coming into view as the exponent of it is Lyman F. George, the author of the lively treatise on a subject hitherto treated dismally, but now set forth, unanswerable and irresistible, in a book entitled "Falling Prices and the Remedy."

Mr. George enters the lists of discussion with a noble and chivalrous spirit, armed and equipped with patient and exhaustive study of his subject, and with an abundance of quotations from the highest authorities. He clearly shows that the cries of "overproduction," "improved machinery," "unrestricted immigration," "want of confidence," "department stores," "tariffs and free-trade" are all effects and not causes of the hard times, and when not uttered by the sophistor or secundrel, are but the chatter of the ignorant and misinformed. He distinctly and impressively points out the cause of falling prices, and then stirringly appeals to the large army of the producers of our national wealth—the farmers, the merchants, the manufacturers, the wage-earners—to unite their forces in a mighty protest, and demand at the polls the remedy. The inertia of indolent and passive non-resistance, so fatal to the reception of truth and the unaroused depth of moral emotion in the nation should be broken and stirred by the magic of Mr. George's enthusiasm and the common-sense of his argument.

Taking his stand on the indisputable ground that we can no more resist or bend to our purpose a natural law than we can construct a star or create a mote in a sunbeam, Mr. George proceeds to demonstrate the inevitable and imperious relation existing between the demand and supply of that which measures the value and regulates the price of all commodities to be thus measured and priced; or, in other words, the relation existing between product on the one hand and the necessary amount of legal tender money to move and exchange it on the other. He argues that the standard of price determines the standard of wage, since all wage is derived from profit; and when profit disappears, capital withdraws from the venture. Therefore, he claims, a generous profit insures a generous wage. He shows, what every one must admit, that for thirty years business has been conducted in this country on a falling market; and he affirms that the cause of this is that during this time the parity of exchange between merchandise and money has not been kept stable. The man holding the merchandise has suffered a notable and irretrievable loss in converting his merchandise into cash. Therefore, demands Mr. George, as our population and productivity have largely increased during the past thirty years, why not add to the circulating medium a corresponding amount necessary to meet that increase?

"So we have!" cries the strident voice of the money trust and the adepts in the art of darkening things that are clear to the open mind,—"So we have! The banks are full of money; there are heaps of idle capital lying all round, waiting good opportunities for investment; but the anarchist repudiators of the West frighten the honest-money investors of the East, who are shocked at such lack of honor in fulfilling solemn promises, and they refuse to let out their money, for fear that they will lose their well-merited interest and perhaps their principal.

To this Mr. George would reply "that the money said to be in the banks is not really there;" that "deposits" are not necessarily money; that a bank may have a large show of "deposits" on hand, and at the same time have very little, if any, actual money (that is gold)—as was the case with Singerly's bank in Philadelphia when it failed, all its gold having been locted by the gold trust, and shipped to Russia's and Germany's war chests. Moreover, this money "in the banks" is not, as a rule, available to a general business man who has debts to pay and no collateral to offer with his note except his merchandise in stock. It is money in circulation which is needed to quicken business and stimulate prices, not money in hoarding—money of a kind which cannot be traded in and cornered and shipped off to Europe. How can seven billions of loans and discounts be liquidated with a few millions of money? Yet the business men of this country hesitate to demand of the government a circulation commensurate with a thirty-five years' increase in population and trade. Instead of having as much as we had then—namely over two billions in active circulation and that with only thirty-two millions of people—we have today only twelve per cent. per capita of what we had then and our standard of price tables. With Europe buying of us seven million seven hundred thousand bales of cotton, while we consume less than three; with Europe dependent on our production of wheat, corn and iron—why should we not be able to sell all this to her at a price which will amply remunerate our oppressed toilers who produce it? This matter of price is always regulated, so say the highest authorities by the amount of legal tender money in circulation. This is the greatest and most efficient weapon which can be wielded by any nation.

This power of legal tender, declares Mr. George, belongs to the people, to the merchants, the farmers, the labor organizations. When they clearly understand its subtle efficiency in shaping and controlling social conditions between the producing and non-producing classes when they comprehend and utilize it, then the plutocracy, the usurers, drones and idle fatteners on the results of other men's labors will have found their Waterloo and a realizing sense of what the decree "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread" means.

In seeking to give our readers a distinct idea of Mr. George's remedy for falling prices we can do no better than lay before them the following brief extracts from his book. On Page 118 he says:

"Since values and not the material gives or takes from the purchasing power of a dollar and upon this all stand agreed, and as expansion makes the dollar cheap and contraction makes hwQrfonojnatuoolnzflswtwnlfgit thh it dear the volume of the currency must be adjusted to the population or to the plain exigencies of the actual business of the country."

On Page 119, he says: "The corrective remedy, therefore for the fall of prices and a consequent depression in business is to increase the volume of money, until prices advance to that point for labor and material where a sufficiency of it will be left in the consumers' hands to enable them to relieve the market of accumulated goods."

SMALL POX

IS CAUSING A GREAT SCARE IN SKOWHEGAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Feb. 20.—The smallpox scare, while dying out in Waterville, is just beginning to be appreciated here. During the past few days, it is estimated that at least 700 persons have been vaccinated.

Postmaster Gould has written to Washington for permission to have all mail matter from Waterville fumigated before it is handled here.

Yesterday it was rumored that a French woman living on North avenue had the disease but two physicians who investigated the case say it is erysipelas.

Dr. Spencer of Waterville, who recently accepted a call to the Bethany church here, was to have preached yesterday, but the board of health did not deem it wise and as a result there was no service. Neither was there any at the First Baptist church.

The board of health is taking every precaution possible to prevent the disease from gaining a foothold here and is doing its best to discourage all public gatherings. It has been decided to stop assemblages of crowds at the railroad station and in the lobby of the post office and this rule will take effect at once. The citizens as a general thing, are badly frightened.

HONORABLY DISCHARGED

ARTHUR S. COBURN RETURNS AFTER NINE MONTHS' NAVAL SERVICE.

Arthur S. Coburn of Oak street who enlisted in the navy nine months ago, has returned to Lowell having received his honorable discharge at Norfolk. Mr. Coburn enlisted for one year as a second class machinist and had the misfortune not to see any active service, as the term goes; for the service was active work all the time and had to be as conscientiously performed after the cessation of hostilities as before.

The U. S. S. Southery, a collier and supply ship on which he has been serving, has gone out of commission, and all the one-year men received their discharges. They constituted the larger part of the crew and only three reenlisted, although the government would have received them all for there were other ships in port that needed additions to their crews.

The Southery was for a long time off the coast of Cuba and carried supplies into Santiago harbor. She made one trip to Porto Rico. Upon the arrival in Norfolk, the fires were allowed to go out and the men all caught cold, for the weather was very cold. Otherwise Mr. Coburn is in fine condition. His discharge shows a very good rating. He was marked 4 8-10 out of a possible 5. He is very glad to return to New England and to Lowell.

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TELEPHONE BILL

Boston Post's Fight for Cheaper Rates.

IS NOW BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE.

State Supervision of Telephone Companies.

The Boston Post is making a great fight in behalf of the telephone bill now before the legislature. The bill has received the endorsement of many boards of trade throughout the country and the support of thousands of petitioners. Its aim is to bring about lower rates by state supervision of the telephone business. The full text of the bill is as follows:

AN ACT

Relative to Changes and Service of Companies Engaged in Telephone Business in this Commonwealth:

Be it enacted by the senate and the house of representatives in general court assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. All matters relating to the rates and service of companies engaged in the telephone business shall be under the supervision and control of the board of gas and electric light commissioners. And said board shall have full power to recommend such change in the telephone rates and service as the public interest may require and to inspect and examine the books, records and accounts of said companies, and to summon witnesses and send for persons and papers at such hearings as may be had before them. And said board shall have the same rights and powers in the premises as it now possesses in reference to similar complaints brought before it regarding gas and electric light companies except as otherwise provided in this act. And no increase in the rates of said companies shall be made without previous approval from said board.

Section 2. Upon the complaint in writing to said board by the mayor of any city or the selectmen of any town in which a telephone company is located or doing business within the limits of the commonwealth or by twenty customers of any telephone company in respect of the prices charged by said company for the use of telephone instruments or for messages sent by telephone or of the quality of the service rendered by such company, the said board shall notify the company of such complaint by leaving a copy thereof at the office of the company and shall thereupon after such notice as the board may deem proper give a public hearing or hearings to such petitioner or petitioners, and after said hearing or hearings may make such recommendations as the board deems just and proper concerning any reduction in the service rendered by said company for the use of telephone instruments or for messages sent by telephone or relating to any improvement that the board deems just and proper in the service rendered by said company and said board shall recommend such further action in the premises as may seem just and proper to said board. The jurisdiction of said board hereby given shall extend to and embrace the prices charged by one telephone company to another telephone company as well as prices charged by any telephone company to any city, town or private customer.

Section 33. Every telephone corporation shall at all times upon request, furnish to said board any information required by it concerning the condition, management and operation of its business and particularly copies of all leases, contracts and agreements with subscribers or other telephone corporations or otherwise to which it is a party, and also with rates, charges and other facilities afforded to the public.

Section 34. The said board shall in its annual report to the legislature include reference to all proceedings that have taken place under the provisions of this act during the period covered by its said report together with such suggestions as to the condition of affairs or the prices charged by telephone companies or the service rendered by such company as the said board may deem appropriate.

MANUFACTURING NEWS

H. C. Perham, treasurer of the Kirson Machine Co., Lowell, accompanied by Mrs. Perham left Boston last week for a trip to southern California to be absent until some time in April.

A. S. Scovil, treasurer of the Tremont and Suffolk mills in Lowell, in company with Timothy Remick, the well known cotton waste dealer of Boston, left last week for a trip around the world. They expect to be absent until July 1 or perhaps later.

Mr. George Gilman of the Lowell Machine Shop, Lowell, Mass., has accepted the position of general foreman of the American Bolt Co.

Mr. C. E. Dow, formerly of the Metallic Drawing Roll Co., Indian Orchard but for the past few years, general manager of the American Bolt Co., Lowell, has resigned that position.

Quarterly dividends have been declared by the following Fall River mills: Border City Manufacturing Company, per cent., same as last year; Mechanics' mills 1 per cent.

The New Bedford Poultry association expects to enroll 60 or 70 members by the end of the winter. A fall show will be held. Isn't it about time to hold a poultry show in Lowell?

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No money in advance. Weak, stunted, shrunken and feeble portions of the body quickly enlarged and strengthened. Medicines and instrument sent on trial. Medical indorsements. Particulars sent in plain sealed letter. Correspondence confidential.

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NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF A CO-PARTNERSHIP.

Notice is hereby given that the co-partnership heretofore existing between Fred H. Rourke and Daniel T. Sullivan, under the firm name and style of Rourke & Sullivan is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business is to be carried on hereafter by Daniel T. Sullivan and all bills due to said firm are to be paid to him, and all accounts of the firm will be paid by him, as he is authorized to settle the affairs of the firm.

Lowell, Feb. 13, 1899.

DANIEL T. SULLIVAN.
FRED H. ROURKE.

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Saloon passage $50 and upwards. Second cabin $40; round trip $70. Steerage $25.50.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
State House, Boston, Feb. 18, 1899.

The Committee on Railroads will give a hearing to parties interested in a bill declaring all persons, companies, and corporations owning or operating sleeping cars, common carriers, at room No. 440 State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 1899, at 11.30 o'clock a. m.

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WEATHER'S FREAK

Sudden Thaw Brings Out Fair Sex.

LIFE RESTORED TO MERRIMACK SQUARE.

Heavy Trucking Greatly Interfered With.

For the few who were going that way yesterday was a gorgeous day overhead but for the thousands who are still on earth, there was much suffering and dismay, for underfoot all was moist and slushy. Still it was a grand day atmospherically, perhaps too warm for comfort and heavy clothing, but there have been worse days and within recall.

It is the weather and some of its conspicuous results of which I write, for on the first good day after a big storm there is invariably a great outpouring of people after several days' confinement in the house and with the crowds out there is always much to interest one on the street.

To begin with, Merrimack Square was crowded Saturday with the fair sex, shopping and gossiping, and from three o'clock until six the square was one great bunch of loveliness. The fair ones had not been out of the house for several days and there was much to be told to friends and acquaintances who happened along.

I know this, for two of the fair creatures of my acquaintance wanting some excuse to stand at the corner and gossip hit upon me as a good excuse and stopped and talked about everyone but myself.

Short skirts, the rainy day, or as the newsboys have it, the sloppy weather variety were much in evidence and most genteely did the women without them criticize and "knock" their more fortunate sisters. Judging from appearances about one woman in every five wearing the short skirts escapes without adverse criticism, as I learned by a fifteen minutes' loaf in the square.

"Say, get onto this coming in the short skirt. Isn't she a fright?" whispered one to her companion as a long, gaunt female of certain years, more years than certain, came along with a skirt that was more short than rainyweather.

"H'm! She ought to put a little sugar on her shoes to coax that down." answered her friend.

"It'll make a good petticoat in the spring," added the first.

Then a plump little woman with too much avoirdupois for her slender underpinnings came along and I only listened to hear one of the critics whisper: "Why, the idea! And ankle braces so cheap!" Then I saw Officer Crowley coming along and I moved.

The fair day demonstrated the fact that Lawrence had been dug out, for the Lawrence cars unloaded many visitors in town during the afternoon including genial Nick Calnin, the starter for the Lowell, Lawrence & Haverhill road at the Essex street jumping-off place. Nick was accompanied by his friend, Mr. Holihan, a prosperous wine merchant of Spicketville, a good fellow to see at any time, though particularly after May 1. When Nick sized up Merrimack Square he immediately offered to swap jobs with Starter Lees with a substantial bonus on the side.

On Wednesday the street and railroad shovellers were hustling to clear the square of snow in order to make travel easy. It may soon be necessary for them to shovel it back again in order to make travel easy.

One of the worst places in the city Friday for teaming was on Market street on that much discussed and equally damned canal bridge. Here there was slush almost a foot deep but with no icy foundation. Every heavy sleigh or pung that got in it had the greatest difficulty in passing over it. A heavily loaded wood pung owned by Daniel Gage and with four horses attached became stuck on the bridge and it remained stuck for fully an hour despite the efforts of the four horses and about 20 brawny men and the suggestions of the several hundred who gathered around to watch it and give advice. The poor horses tugged hard but the pung wouldn't budge an inch and Mr. Gage who was present toward the finish and much excited, suggested unloading the pung on the sidewalk, and carting it off when the pung had been dragged off the bare place. But Officer Holland, sizing up the load, couldn't see it that way, and luckily for Mr. Gage, with due respect to the crowd. But while they were discussing the matter a long-headed motorman on a car that was held up by the blockade hit upon a plan and by placing a log of wood between the front of the car and the rear end of the load put on the "juice" and pushed the load to a place of safety amid the applause of the spectators.

This incident is interesting for more reasons than one and one is that while thoughtless persons who having passed a mill at night and seen lights in the windows went about to their friends advertising the return of prosperity, the presence of a couple of hundred able-bodied men standing with their hands in their pockets watching a blockade on Central street during the afternoon of a working day proves conclusively that the return of prosperity is still in the distance for while the unemployed abound, there can be no prosperity in this city of hand-to-mouth existences.

The warm weather and thaw are causing the flooding of many cellars in the side streets where snow is piled high and as yet uncleared but they are too far removed from the square to be considered now. When you go into the cellar for wood and have to use a boathook to get it, you will appreciate the fact.

MORTALITY OF LOWELL.

For the week ending February 18, 1899:

Population, 88,641; total deaths, 32; deaths under five 10, acute lung diseases 4.

Death rate for week ending February 18, 1899, 18.77 against 19.32, 21.12 for previous two weeks.

Infectious diseases reported—For week ending February 18, 1899: Typhoid fever 1, scarlet fever 1, membraneous croup 1, measles, 18.

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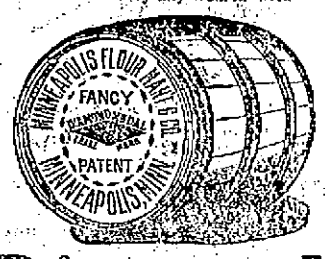

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BOXING GOSSIP.

Martin and Joe Flaherty arrived here from their lucrative trip to Brooklyn Friday night in a high feather over their easy victory. As they stood in Merrimack Square, waiting for the Pawtucketville electric, Martin received the congratulations of many friends who passed and was the center of attraction for an admiring group of newsboys who endeavored to sell the clever little boxer whole armfuls of The Sun "will yet pitcher in it," as they expressed it. Martin is in good condition and bears no marks of the encounter, for he was struck on the face but once. Martin says that he will begin at once to train for Gardner which bout takes place at Hartford, Conn., on Washington's birthnight, Feb. 22. Though the time is short, Martin is almost at weight, 126 pounds and will have no difficulty in getting to the limit and under it if need be, his outdoor work has been rendered impossible but he will continue his indoor work at the Burkes gym. While we were discussing the McBride bout, Martin said: "McBride was quite easy for me, though he went in hard to win and was remarkably game. I hit him hard enough in the first round to put any ordinary man out but he refused to be put out. When he was finally put out, his manager started to make a kick at the referee, but McBride stopped him, saying: "Martin licked me fairly, so don't kick over it."

"And who do you suppose was on hand to see the fight Monday night, with a whole bunch of money to put on Martin?" put in his brother Joe.

"Give it up," said I.

"Our old antagonist, Tom Moriarty," answered Joe. "He was in a marine's uniform and came up from the Brooklyn navy yard. He looked fine and had plenty of money."

Moriarty is the well known boxer of this city who was always Joe's particular antagonist when in Lowell. A couple of years ago, Tom went west and fought many battles with a majority of victims and during the war enlisted in the marine corps. His cousin and old time sparring partner John Moriarty, better known among the boys as "Chub" has been in the marine corps since the outbreak of the war.

But to return to the Flahertys: In speaking of the Gardner bout, Joe very sagely remarked: "I can't figure out how Gardner can lick Martin. Of course he is a good man and has defeated good men but any man in my opinion who cannot lick Dixon cannot lick Martin."

A Lowell party will take in the fight at Hartford and many more than at first was expected will probably go as it is learned that a train for Boston can be obtained shortly after midnight and thus it is possibly to get back to Lowell early in the morning.

Two attempts have been made recently to get Joe Flaherty and "Spike" Sullivan together but the foxy Spike says:

"Those Flahertys came from Lowell where they make sarsaparilla and the two of them live on it and are good men to let alone." That Spike believes this was evidenced when he fought Martin in Boston for on that occasion he kept as far away from Martin as the ropes would allow.

Tonight's battle at New Haven between Eddy Connolly and Matty Matthews promises much in the way of aggressive ring work by two clever light brigade performers. Matthews is one of Jack Dougherty's stable and for that reason will bear close inspection as the manager generally comes away with the good end of the purse, as for instance, Jack O'Brien against Oscar Gardner the other night. They box twenty rounds at 135 pounds and the winner will be in line to meet Joe Gans, the dandy Baltimore scrapmaker.

If Jack O'Brien wins from Billy Whistler of Philadelphia at New York tonight he will look for a match with George Dixon. O'Brien and Whistler box twenty rounds at 125 pounds.

Reports of the Maher-Conroy battle say that Peter was not in good shape for the go and his inability to stop the West Troy novice gives ground for the belief that he is drifting into the has-been class.

Kid Goulette and Luke Stevens of Buffalo will box at Hamilton, Ont., on Feb. 21.

Jim Popp, the husky Toronto lightweight will box Jack Downey of Brooklyn, twenty rounds at Buffalo, March 3, at 126 pounds.

Charley Burns may meet Charley McKeever of Philadelphia ten rounds in Cincinnati, Feb. 20.

Patsy Sheppard received word from Dick Burge, the "Iron Man" yesterday that he intends coming to this country shortly to take on the Michigan marvel, Kid Lavigne in a lightweight championship levee but will go after Bobby Dobbs hard before leaving England to show that he can trim the colored fighter. Burge writes from London that he is in good shape and sends regards to his Boston friends.

Teddy McGovern and George Munroe will box six rounds at the benefit to be tendered Edward T. Driscoll, the vice president of the Greenwood A. C., on March 1, at Brooklyn.

Oscar Gardner is profiting by the setback he received from Jack O'Brien and is training hard for his go with Martin Flaherty at Hartford on Washington's birthday. The hard-hitting Lowell boy will have the prestige of fighting a winning battle against a good one, his last bout before taking on the Omaha Kid, while the latter will have in mind his defeat at O'Brien's hands. The Kid will need to be in the pink of condition to down Flaherty as he is giving away all kinds of weight—Boston Post.

Bob Fitzsimmons is already preparing for his bout with Jeffries by taking long walks, exercising with dumb bells punching the bag and sparring with his partner, Yank Kenney, each day. Fitz will train more ruggedly when the place of the meeting is fixed.

Eddy Connolly has been matched to box Tom Broderick of Yonkers at Hartford for twenty rounds at 138 pounds the first week in March. Eddy beat the Yonkers lightweight last October in eleven rounds but it proved an interesting bout to witness and they should furnish the nutmeg sports some warm going.

ENGLISH MILLS

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COTTON FACTORY TIMES.

The adjourned conference of employers and operatives' representatives in the cotton spinning trade (medium counts), including reelers and winders, was held in Manchester the past week to further consider the application of the operatives for an increase of wages of 7d. in the pound, as conceded by them in 1893 when the Brooklands agreement was framed, and the mule card and blowing room hands to an increase of 10 per cent, or 2s. in the pound.

At the conference on Monday, Jan. 23, the employers asked for a fortnight's adjournment in order that they might obtain the opinion of their district committee on the operatives' application. These meetings, it is supposed, were held last week. Anyhow, meetings took place at Oldham and Bolton last Friday evening, at which the state of trade was discussed.

At Oldham it is stated that the committee decided to "oppose the application for an advance on the ground that the margin was not as good as it had been," the feeling also being that "the application was premature."

The decision at Bolton was that "considering the small margin of profits yet shown since the improvement in trade began and also considering the bad times through which the cotton concerns had to pass and contend with for some time past, the application for an advance of wages was premature."

It is supposed that similar decisions were come to by the committee in other districts connected with the Employers' Federation. These reports were presented to the meeting of the employers' representatives on Monday. The decisions referred to were in some quarters looked upon as a foregone conclusion, notwithstanding the feeling is still strong that the operatives in the end will secure the desired advance.

Should the employers refuse the advance, it will then remain for the operatives to decide what further action shall be taken. It is probable, however, that the usual month's notice of the advance will be tendered in the respective districts affected by the previous reduction, and in the meantime the operatives will ballot on the question.

Charles Haydock, who for the last 15 years has been one of the trustees of the Bolton and District Card and Blowing Room Operatives' Association, died recently. He was one of the first members of the association, but cannot be considered one of the oldest, as he severed his connection for several years whilst filling the position of overlooker in the mill. He was a collector for the association for about 10 years and was its first representative on the Bolton Trades council. He leaves a widow and three children, two daughters and a son.

T. Harrison, stripper and grinder at the Gledwick Spinning company, Oldham, has been promoted to the position of under carder, in place of C. W. Hilton, who has been appointed carder.

MAYOTTE INQUEST

ABOUT MARCH 1, THE RESULT OF JUDICIAL INQUIRY WILL BE KNOWN.

Judge Hadley in speaking in reference to the Mayotte inquest states there were five or six hundred pages of typewritten matter and he had not himself, as yet, seen the evidence in documentary form. It will first be necessary to complete the documents and then he would have to have sufficient time to consider and digest in order to reach his conclusions. All of that will be a matter of at least a week's time and probably more. Therefore it looks as though it would be on or about the first of March before the public will know the result of the judicial inquiry.

About the Conroy inquest Judge Hadley did not know when there would be anything for publication.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hills have returned from their western trip.

WM. TRUE INDICTED

By the Grand Jury at Cambridge Today.

Indictment Was Also Returned Against Edward B. Murphy—The Men Accused of Obtaining Money Under False Pretenses.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Feb. 18.—The Middlesex grand jury brought in its report in Cambridge today. Indictments were returned against Horatio Nelson Hyde, superintendent of the Water Works at Newton, upon the charge of obtaining money under false pretences and embezzlement, and against William T. True, Supt. of Public Buildings in Lowell and Edward B. Murphy also of Lowell, the accusation being obtaining money under false pretences.

No bill has been returned against Dr. Sexton, City Physician of Malden and Henry S. Cardy who were charged with being principal and accessory, respectively, in causing the death of a Malden woman.

A DOUBLE MURDER

Husband Killed His Wife and Daughter.

He Cut Their Throats and Then He Made an Attempt to Take His Own Life—It is Believed That He is Insane.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ROCKLAND, Me., Feb. 18.—Coroner Judkins was summoned to the village of Washington today, near which Mrs. Albert Heysler and her 16-year-old stepdaughter were murdered during the night. Albert Heysler is charged with murdering his wife and the girl by cutting their throats with a razor. Heysler afterwards attempted to commit suicide but was unsuccessful. No reason except temporary insanity, is assigned for the crime. Washington is a small place near the northwestern part of Knox county about 20 miles from Rockland.

DETAILS OF THE CRIME.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Me., Feb. 18.—News was received here early this morning that a horrible tragedy had occurred in the town of Appleton, a small place about three miles east of Washington, some time during the night. Mrs. Albert Heysler, wife of a well known farmer of that section and Miss Tinkham, 16 years of age, a daughter of Mrs. Heysler, were murdered at their home. A warrant has been taken out charging Albert Heysler with the crime. After cutting the throats of his wife and stepdaughter he attempted to end his own existence in a similar manner but his wound is not fatal and although he was badly injured it is thought he will recover. The tragedy was not known by the public until just after daylight this morning.

Heysler sent his 13-year-old daughter to the house of one of his neighbors with a message stating that there had been trouble at his home and asking that some one go to the house. Several of the neighbors questioned the little girl closely and learned that Mrs. Heysler and daughter had been assaulted. On reaching the house the neighbors, notwithstanding the statements made by the little girl were not prepared for the sight which confronted them when they entered the Heysler domicile. Heysler was found in one room with his throat gashed and himself covered with blood which he had evidently attempted to wash off, but his condition was so weak that he was hardly able to move.

In the bedroom of Mrs. Heysler, the latter was found lying in bed with her throat cut. She was dead and on the floor near the bed lay the body of Miss Tinkham, her daughter. She had been killed by the same method, which was employed by the farmer to end his wife's life. The bed clothing and floor of the room were covered with blood and there was evidence that a struggle had been made by the daughter.

Those who first saw Heysler think that after failing to kill himself by cutting his throat, that he attempted to finish the work by taking poison, thought to be paris green.

The authorities of Knox county after considerable delay were notified of the murders and the warrant was promptly issued for the arrest of Heysler. A message was sent to High Sheriff Nelson Ullmer of Rockland and one to Coroner Judkins of the same town. The Heysler house was taken charge of by a local officer and at noon the arrival of the sheriff and coroner were awaited. The exact cause of the tragedy is not known here but it is understood that the domestic relations at the farm house were not of the most harmonious nature.

The generally accepted theory is that Heysler became temporarily insane as the result of domestic troubles. When the bodies were found they were quite cold and from their appearance it is thought the murders occurred about midnight.

Mrs. Heysler had been twice married the murdered girl having been the daughter of her first husband. Heysler had one child, a daughter of 13 years, who escaped his murderous work.

Mr. Lawrence Buckley, a well known Royal Arcanumite of North Billerica, is confined to his home by an injury to his spine, received while lifting at his work in the Talbot mills a few days since.

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The first half hour of the afternoon session was devoted to business matters. The election of officers resulted as follows: Supt. U. G. Wheeler of West Springfield, president; Supt. J. M. Norcross of Weymouth, vice president, Supt. J. A. Pitman, secretary treasurer.

The business meeting was followed by a discussion on the report of the committee on legislative enactment. Then followed a discussion regarding the temperance question in relation to schools. Resolutions concerning several bills before the legislature were laid on the table.

Mr. J. W. McDonald spoke on "Distribution of wealth in the state and the effect on municipal tax rates for the support of schools" giving a table of figures showing the valuations in the state, including each city and town. The value per pupil in the state, average is $7830, Boston, $15,747, Brookline, $25,153.

He showed that the size of a city or town does not determine its ability to support its schools but its wealth. A man living in a small town is obliged to pay a larger tax on his property for the support of schools than the man in the larger cities.

The speaker believed that the state should take one-third of the cost of the tax rate for schools and let the towns bear two-thirds of the expense.

Boston, with one-fifth of the state population, gets one-third of the tax and Brooklyn, with two-thirds of one one-hundredth of the population, gets one-twentieth of the tax. The present system encourages the growth of certain rich residential towns, where the rich escape their share of taxation for educating the children of the state.

"If it is argued," said Mr. McDonald, "that the proposed tax would burden Boston, it may be answered that Boston is now burdening the suburban towns and we are only asking to have returned a part of the extortion. We are told that Boston will oppose the tax. The proposed tax is in accord with every reason that justifies taxation for public schools—the taxation of the property of all, whether they have children or not, for the education of the children of all, whether they own property or not."

LOUBET ELECTED

As President of the French Republic.

RADICALS OR SOCIALISTS FAVORED HIM.

Meline Had Support of the Conservatives.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Feb. 18.—M. Loubet has been elected president of the French Republic. The National Assembly met at Versailles at 1 o'clock this afternoon. M. Loubet, president of the senate, declared the sitting open amid the applause of the Leftists, during which M. Loubet proceeded to draw for tellers. The voting began with the letter D, M. Dousette casting the first ballot. M. Loubet was elected by 483 votes, against 270 votes cast for M. Meline.

M. Dupuy, it was announced this morning, had definitely declined to enter the contest for the presidency and the struggle then seemed to be confined to Messieurs Loubet and Meline. The Figaro, however, considered the chances of M. de Freycinet good.

A manifestation against Loubet and in favor of Meline occurred last evening before the republican club in the Rue de Grammont. The League of Patriots announced that it intended to do all in its power to prevent the election of Loubet. The radical press favored the election of M. Loubet who was also supported by the socialist paper while the conservative and moderate journals endorsed the candidacy of M. Meline.

Various political groups held meetings at noon and M. Cochery announced that M. Meline had definitely withdrawn his candidacy. The Nationalists and anti-Semites decided not to vote for M. Loubet. The assembly met at one o'clock, M. Loubet declaring the sitting open amid the applause of the Leftists during which M. Loubet proceeded to draw for tellers. The voting began with the letter D, M. Doussette, moderate republican, representing in the chamber of deputies the fourth district of Lille, cast the first ballot.

When M. Paul Deroulede, organizer of the league of patriots, and deputy representing the second district of Angouleme voted he attempted to speak from the tribune where the urns were placed but M. Loubet forbade him doing so. This called for the protests from the Rightists and applause from the Leftists. M. Deroulede, however, persisted in speaking and resisted the ushers and others who rushed up to expel him from the tribune.

M. Drumont, anti-Semite, representing the first division of Algiers also attempted to speak and a great commotion followed during which cries of "Down with anarchy!" were heard.

In the meantime the voting continued and at 2.40 p. m., the ballot was completed. While the checking was in progress the members of the assembly left the hall and assembled in the galleries and corridors where they discussed the chances of election. M. Meline loudly announced that he had voted for M. Loubet.

Rev. C. L. Merriam of the Highland Congregational church, Lowell, is to preach for Pastor Mevis at Townsend next Sunday.

SCHOOL TOPICS

Discussed by Superintendents at Annual Convention.

SUPT. WHEELER ELECTED PRESIDENT.

The School Tax Was Under Discussion.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 18.—At Lorimer hall, Tremont temple, yesterday morning, was opened the 50th meeting of the school superintendent's state association, the president, W. H. Sanderson of Bridgewater in the chair.

The subject of discussion for the morning session was "Psychology for Teachers," the first speaker being Prof. Hugo Munsterberg of Harvard university. The best results, he said, are to be obtained from observations, made by the child in its natural state, and the artificial methods can be of little value. To obtain the best results, the observer should be a specialist in child study. There is no doubt that psychology in all its branches is of value to the teacher, but its value is limited. The better knowledge a teacher has of a child's mind, the better is he qualified to teach the child.

Principal A. G. Boyden of Bridgewater normal school was the next speaker. He said the teacher must have a thorough knowledge of child nature. Teaching is a spiritual process. The art of teaching further implies an appreciation of human nature.

The last speaker of the morning was

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OF A COMPLAINT OF OVERWORK

But Obtains No Evidence of It.

A state inspector of factories yesterday visited the weave rooms of the Boott mills and questioned the operatives as to the alleged abuse complained of by a former employ of the weave room. The inspector closely interrogated the help on the point taken by complaint that the looms of a certain weave room nearest to Bridge street had for some time been running during the noon hour by the women weavers at the request of their employers and in direct violation of the law which says women and children shall work only 58 hours a week. Although the weavers are unwilling to work extra, the complainant alleged they must submit to the inevitable discharge if they refuse to do so. The overhead steam which issues from an open valve at one end of the weave room, No. 6 it it said, has also been complained of.

When the state inspector visited the rooms yesterday and inquired if overwork had been done, all answered in the negative. It is said however that the inspector will again visit the rooms and the next time he comes it will be during the noon hour, when the looms are alleged to have been run. The inspector will also have his attention called to the sanitary accomodation which is said to be in very poor condition.

IN CONGRESS TO-DAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Eulogies upon life and public services of the late Representative Northway, of Ohio, were set for 2 o'clock to-day in the House.

A bill was passed for the relief of George A. Dicket and Co., of Nashville, Tenn.

A senate bill was passed authorizing the terms of the United Court for the Southern District of Mississippi to be held hereafter at Biloxi.

The House then went into committee of the whole and resumed consideration of the Naval appropriation bill. The pending question being the point of order raised by Mr. Mudd (Rep., Md.) against the paragraph of the bill providing for a committee to consider and report upon a general plan for the rearrangement and re-construction of the buildings at the Annapolis Naval Academy and suspending until that report is made the appropriations for new buildings made on the last naval bill.

Miss Katie Coughlin of Wilson street North Billerica, has recovered from her recent severe illness.

Mrs. Walter H. Parker and Mrs. Harriet A. Cole leave for Jamaica on Wednesday for a four week's sojourn.

Miss Bessie Stevens is convalescing after a four weeks' severe illness.

The five o'clock edition of The Sun is on sale at the Union station news stand in Boston.

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NEW SHOE STRIKE

The Latest One Reported From Haverhill

AT THE CHESLEY & RIGG SHOP.

Sixty Trained Workmen are Out.

The boot and shoe industry seems for the past year to be in the throes of an epidemic of strikes owing to the unreasonable attitude of the employers toward the employed. Haverhill stirred the trouble. Then came Lowell with the strike at Stover's which is still on. Marlboro was next and now it appears Haverhill is undergoing another according to the following from the Haverhill Gazette:

The labor troubles in the shoe district do not seem to be at an end, as another strike was inaugurated late yesterday afternoon when 60 returned workmen, employed in the contract shop of Allen G. Twombly, formerly owned by Chesley & Rugg, on Washington street, left their benches.

The features connected with this the latest trouble are somewhat out of the ordinary, inasmuch as the new proprietor took the initiative and precipitated the conflict. Agent Donovan of the shoe council visited the shop yesterday morning and introduced a new price-list for Mr. Twombly's inspection and made arrangements for a conference to be held late in the afternoon. The meeting was of a pleasant nature, and matters were allowed to rest, as far as the agent was concerned, until the conference was held. Yesterday afternoon, however, Mr. Twombly gave notice to four teams that their services were no longer needed, and gave as a reason "lack of work." This action taken by the new proprietor was resented by the remainder of the workmen, who decided, with the exception of a half dozen, to quit their jobs, in sympathy with those who were discharged. The men proceeded to the labor headquarters and there held a discussion of the situation.

Agent Donovan was apprised of the facts of the case and went at once to the factory. Both Mr. Chesley and Mr. Twombly, were interviewed, and the new price-list was discussed. According to the agent's statements Mr. Chesley had no serious objections to the new prices embraced in the document, but Mr. Twombly believed them to be too exorbitant. The difference between the new list and the old is only about a quarter of a cent in advance, averaging the whole, according to the statements of Agent Donovan, and is called very fair by the union officials and the men.

The workmen held the opinion that the men were discharged yesterday afternoon for the purpose of testing the feeling and strength of the union, and they all determined to fight the matter out to the end.

Another incident in connection with the trouble comes to light through the statements made by one of the strikers. It seems that after the eight men were discharged by Mr. Twombly a workman named Cass became engaged in an altercation with him on the matter, and was ordered to leave the building. According to the story told the man refused to do this until he had received the wages due him for his work. Mr. Twombly refused to settle with Cass, and, with Mr. Chesley, accompanied him to the door, where he left the building. Agent Donovan told a Gazette man last night that this incident had no direct bearing on the strike, as the men had received their instructions previously to leave if any of their number were discharged which was done.

The situation to-day is somewhat changed and to use the words of Agent Donovan, "has resolved itself into a systematic strike." The men are determined to fight, and will use the power of all local unions to aid them.

There was a lively meeting held by the strikers and sympathizers at the labor headquarters this morning and the situation was reviewed at length. The men are unanimous in their intention to stand by their colleagues who were discharged and will not return to their benches unless all are reinstated.

There is little prospect that this will be done, however. Both Mr. Chesley and Mr. Twombly have intimated that there was no trouble over the price list and the difficulty seems to have been transformed into a hitch between the firm and the men over the trouble in the factory Friday afternoon. It is said that all "second" orders will be cancelled and that the works on the "firsts" will be completed and cleaned up as rapidly as possible with the aid of the workmen remaining in the factory.

Mr. Chesley said there were about 10 teams still at work in the room but the labor men dispute this and state that there are not more than eight or ten men remaining at their benches.

Mr. Chesley has authorized the following statement in defence of the fact that his scale of wages throughout the factory was much above the average paid by local firms: "In the factory last week there were employed 375 persons of both sexes, per TgilkuBrdanc'mf of both sexes. The amount of wages paid was a little over $4000. The average wages paid to each person in the factory (not including foremen or employes in the stitching room) was between $11 and $12. In the stitching room the average per person amounted to $10.50."

This statement was shown at the labor headquarters and was not denied. Pickets were placed on duty on Washington street this morning for the purpose of keeping watch for new workmen, should they attempt to obtain jobs in either the Wadleigh shop or under Mr. Twombly and should any be detected they will be persuaded to keep away.

Agent Donovan went to the Chesley & Rugg building this morning and held a brief interview with Mr. Chesley but nothing of importance was done relative to the adjustment of the strike.

This noon the strikers repaired to the Chesley & Rugg building and carried in their slips for the work performed by them up to the time when they left their benches and tomorrow they will receive the money which is due them for their services.

REPORT OF DEATHS.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1899.

10—Timothy Sullivan, 64, exposure.
Katie F. Garvin, 16, heart disease.
11—Joseph Doucette, 23, strangulated hernia.
Mary Feeley, 22, heart disease.
12—William H. Kaulbach, 81, bro, pneumonia.
Abigail V. Dearborn, 62, myocarditis.
Joseph C. Cudworth, 55, abscess.
Adeline McPherson, 39, cer. hemorrhage.
13—Celeste Surprenant, 41, septicaemia.
Kate Duffy, 21, phthisis.
Eva Wyskeyke, 1 mo., convulsions.
14—Bridget Applebee, 75, disease of heart.
Emma L. Jewett, 54, pneumonia.
Marie H. Gareau, 10, leucocythemia.
Flore Hibeault, 9 mos., gastric enteritis.
Andrew Sauskski, 3 mos., inanition.
Lottie Allison, 2 mos., intestinal obstruction.
15—Arceline F. Dudley, 74, paralysis.
Sarah Deering, 70, heart disease.
Alonzo K. Preston, 55, myocarditis.
Alfred M. Reede, 60, pneumonia.
Mary A. Curran, 30, heart disease.
Mary F. Hogan, 26, phthisis.
16—Edmond Burke, 23, acute endocarditis.
Alice Coulliard, 5, pulm. oedema.
Alice F. Ash, 4, pulm. phthisis.
Caroline Goddard, 4 mos., gastritis.
George A. Campbell, 14 days, infantile debility.
17—John Green, 49, myelitis.
——— Curran, 3 days, atelectasis.
Catherine O'Malley, 1 day, infantile debility.
18—James Lally, 1 mo., convulsions.

GIRARD P. DADMAN, Clerk.

POTTERY ART

JAPAN LEADS THE WORLD IN MANY IMPORTANT ARTS.

Prof. E. S. Morse, of Salem, who is a noted authority on art, spoke before the Society of Arts and Crafts recently on "The Industrial Arts of Japan."

Prof. Morse described pottery making in Japan. No other people make so many varieties of pottery or exhibit such wonderful delicate workmanship. Their potter's wheels are given a whirl by hand, instead of being run clumsily by foot. A potter in Japan is a man of high social standing and distinction. His workshop is a beautiful garden, kept scrupulously clean.

Prof. Morse described bronze making. In the case of the exquisite bronze peacocks, the artist sits in his lovely garden, with one or two live peacocks walking around, and models in beeswax, kept soft by the sun. When the model is finished, it is covered gradually with layers of clay that harden, and then the whole thing is built about into solid clay. The clay is fired, the wax runs out and bronze is poured in.

In lacquer work the Japanese are exceedingly skilful. They obtain the gold dust for gilding by mixing gold leaf with soft glue made from deer's horn. The glue becomes as brittle as glass. The mass is broken into pieces and these are melted, the gold sinking to the bottom of the pan. In the finer lacquer work, an artist will go out to sea to put on a coating, in order to avoid dust.

Sometimes only one coat a year is put on a box. At the end of several years gold dust is sprinkled into the final layer, and when it is dry the box is polished.

The lecturer said the Japanese were exceptional among all the peoples of the world on account of their faculty in adopting the best things of every country without in the least permitting them to influence their national character or patriotism.

MEET MONDAY

FALL RIVER MILL MEN WILL ELECT OFFICERS AND MAY DISCUSS THE WAGE SITUATION.

The Manufacturers' association of Fall River, will meet on Monday afternoon to elect officers. The note of Secretary Whitehead will be presented and discussed.

This statement was given out Sat. morning by Secretary Bounseville, who said that no action would be taken until that time.

As far as known there is no plan proposed as to a disposition of the letter of the operatives. The executive committee is said to have no report to make and no recommendation to extend. It will simply present the note and let the association take action.

Cloth is firm at 2 1-2 cents. The market was not marked up Saturday to 2 5-8 cents, as reported and a member of the selling committee was very vigorous in his comment on this statement made without anything like authority.

The sales this week will foot up 400,000 pieces. Of this amount it is said that 150,000 are trust goods and the rest odds. Some of the wide counts have advanced considerably over the basis for prints. It is expected that there will be rise in the quotation at any time as standard goods are rather shy. If any buyer wishes a fair amount of extras and wants them right away he will have to bid up to get them.

POSTAL CLERKS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

The Merrimack Valley association of Postal Clerks met in the Franklin House in Lawrence yesterday afternoon and elected the following officers:

President: J. J. Murray of Lawrence; first vice president, Calvin O. Butterick of Haverhill; second vice president, L. H. Carpenter of Manchester, N. H.; third vice president, Charles R. Davis of Salem; secretary, George Carlisle Stuart of Lawrence; treasurer, Chas. E. Maloney of Lowell.

A banquet and discussion followed the election of officers.

MILITARY NOTES

PRIVATE LANE OF COMPANY M IS STILL IN CARNEY HOSPITAL.

Second Lieut. Fred D. Costello of Co. M, Sixth regiment, M. V. M., received his discharge from the regiment last week.

Arthur F. Salmon, secretary of the soldiers' relief committee, went to the Carney hospital, Boston, recently and saw "Chub" Lane, the Lowell boy who enlisted in Company M during the Spanish war and was brought home sick on the Bay State. Lane has been in the hospital since last August and has been so sick that he was at one time given up to die. He told Mr. Salmon that from September to December his mind was a blank; he had absolutely no knowledge of what had passed during that time or of what his condition was. But "Chub" is now on the mending hand and Mr. Salmon is of the opinion that he will get out of the hospital some time next week.

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WAGES ADVANCED

Cotton Company Starts the Ball Rolling.

BY ANNOUNCING RETURN OF FORMER PAY.

This Action Means Pledges Are Kept.

A Providence dispatch says cotton factory operatives' wages in Rhode Island are to be raised generally before long by all the large manufacturers.

The United States' Cotton company, one of the solidest concerns of the Blackstone valley, set the ball a-rolling in this direction. It has announced that on and after to-day wages will be restored to the rate paid a couple of years ago.

This increase of wages, or restoration will amount to 10 or 12 per cent. on an average. The restoration is a voluntary act on the part of the company, and was due to a promise made to the operatives, and has not been brought about because of any agitation on the part of the employes.

When, a few years ago, the depression in the cotton business came, which finally led to a shutting down of mills in the Blackstone valley in order to bring about a curtailment of product, the United States' Cotton company arranged with the operatives that, if they would accept a cut down of wages, the mills would run as long as possible, and when times got better the old wages would be given them.

The cotton business is now booming, the mills are selling rapidly their goods in stock and are running fast to supply new orders.

It is said that Robert Knight, the cotton king, and the Goddard Brothers will soon increase wages, too.

HUGGING NO HARM

BROOKLYN PASTOR SO TESTIFIES AS AN EXPERT ON COURTSHIP.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 20.—"Mr. Jones, as I understand it, was courting the young lady in question and might have hugger her. But I don't see much harm in that. He is unmarried and has a right to court a young lady if he sees fit."

In these words uttered by the Rev. Dr. Robert Bruce Hall, pastor of the Greenwood Baptist church, clerical approval is given to those acts of tenderness between courting couples which are the special abomination of old maids and others to whom wooing and its side issues are in themselves reprehensible.

It had been regarded as an unwritten law that these sweet mutual manifestations should be confined to those whose courting had reached the engagement stage, and the letting down of the bars by the Brooklyn divine will doubtless be greeted with delight by many.

The decision was rendered by the Rev. Mr. Hall when he was called upon to tell about the trial of the Rev. E. Mona Jones, before a council of Baptist ministers, today, charged with improper conduct toward Miss Georgiana Rhodes of Freeport. Mr. Jones was kept away from the hearing by the snow storm.

Another body before which Preacher Jones was haled on the same charge was the arbitration committee of the Odd Fellows' lodge of Freeport, of which he is chaplain. That committee held four secret sessions, and it is said that its ultimate finding has been a sealed verdict of acquittal, which will be handed in to the lodge to-day.

The alleged assault that Miss Rhodes complained of is said to have occurred in Richmond Hill in June, 1897, at a time when the young woman was nursing her sick mother.

BARBERS' BILL

HEARING TO-MORROW AT THE STATE HOUSE.

City Messenger Fagan, treasurer of the Lowell Barbers' union, has received a letter from Representative William J. Quigley of North Chelmsford, stating that the barbers' bill which was referred to the committee on health, will come up for a hearing to-morrow. Arrangements have been made to have a delegation of Lowell union barbers present at the hearing.

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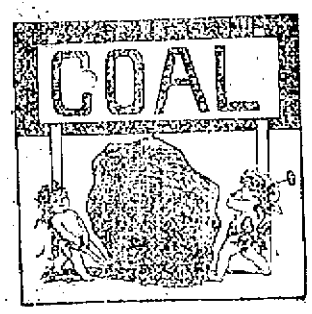

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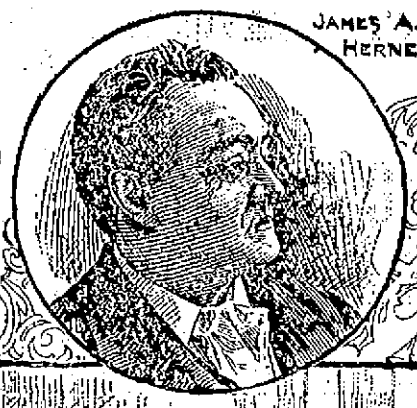

JAMES A. HERNE.

SCENE FROM "THE THREE DRAGOONS"

MARGUERITE LEMMON.

LINDA DA COSTA.

LOUISE BEAUDET.

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SMITH and De Koven's new opera, "The Three Dragoons," is not, as seems to be very generally supposed, based upon the famous Dumas story. In fact, the Smith dragoons are of a very different type from the famous Dumas musketeers. Mr. Smith has used his heroes as funmaking vehicles, and therefore one of them is an Irishman, one a Scotchman and one an Englishman. They are all to inherit from a wealthy Portuguese hidalgo provided certain conditions with reference to the marriage of a certain girl are fulfilled. The low comedy is mainly supplied by an Irish servant of one of the officers and the man's two followers, one of whom is a dumb Scotchman and the other a deaf Englishman. Then there is the cook of the king of Portugal, impersonated by Jerome Sykes in an oily and unconvincing manner.

Messrs. Smith and De Koven, warned by several previous experiences, have evidently thrown worthy effort to the winds and have endeavored simply to produce a work which should amuse if not instruct. But they have not exactly succeeded, for Mr. De Koven's songs, with possibly one or two exceptions, will never be whistled by the street gamins, and Mr. Smith's few witty lines are most of them entitled to respect and consideration solely by reason of their age. It is of course worse than foolish for makers of comic opera to attempt to educate the public up to something it does not want, but it is also possible to concoct a work of this sort which shall be entertaining and at the same time commendable. No one who remembers the early Gilbert and Sullivan operas can question this statement.

The regrettable thing about "The Three Dragoons" is that it will add neither to the popularity nor reputation of its makers with any class of theatergoers, for, while the sop is thrown to the rabble, there is not enough of it to produce a satisfying effect. It is likely, however, that more humorous dialogue and a little more horseplay will be put into it if its promoters be wise, for as it stands, while it is a good many miles removed from even the suspicion of failure, it is not likely to enjoy the long vogue which is necessary nowadays, owing to the enormous cost of production, to show a profit on a comic opera venture.

Of the performers, Miss Marguerite Lemmon, a comparative newcomer in this city, carried off the honors. She sings well and is a pretty figure, though her acting is still a trifle stiff. Linda Da Costa was as dainty as ever and with her small voice sang the French clock ditty charmingly. A cake walk, with songs of all nations, allotted to Richard F. Carroll, was unfortunately the bit of the evening, although it had no more right to be in the opera than Mephistopheles would have to be in heaven, but it served to show that Messrs. Smith and De Koven were not wrong when they proceeded upon the theory that the public wants the verriest nonsense in what is now called comic opera.

What a jump from "The Three Dragoons" to "Rev. Griffith Davenport," which is now holding forth at the Herald Square! This is a dramatization of Helen H. Gardener's novel, "An Unofficial Patriot," and the result demonstrates that, while a book which deals principally with the atmosphere of a certain locality and makes a study of peculiar local conditions may be a huge success, a play requires a great deal more to win the favor of the theater going public even now, when quiet methods in the recital and acting of a dramatic vehicle are regarded as almost prerequisites to favor.

In "Shore Acres" this quality made the piece a great money winner and gave the author, Mr. Herne, the reputation which enabled him to get a respectful hearing on Broadway for "Rev. Griffith Davenport." Atmosphere made "Shore Acres," but it unmakes "Rev. Griffith Davenport." The reason is simple, too, to any one who has watched the trend of American theatricals. Mr. Herne has evidently attributed the success of "Shore Acres" almost solely to the fact that it contained lots of atmosphere, and, proceeding on that theory, he has put so much of it into "Rev. Griffith Davenport" that he has made it a listless, unvirile sort of thing, whereas in "Shore Acres" there was a strong story dramatically told, the coloring being only the background of the picture.

The real dinner in "Shore Acres" and the favor with which it was received may have prompted Mr. Herne to introduce a child in "Davenport" for the sole purpose of enabling him to kiss her, thereby, as he may have imagined, emphasizing the traits of the character of the circuit rider. But there he made a great mistake, for, while the former undoubtedly increased the charm of the play, the latter is a cheap piece of theatrical redundancy. "Rev. Griffith Davenport" may, with or without change, be transformed into a profitable venture, but if it should be, it will greatly surprise nearly every person in this city who has seen it. As a character sketch and a reflex of the conditions prevailing in Virginia immediately before the civil war it may be called a success. As a play, however, I should call it a regrettable failure, despite the magnificent acting of Mr. Herne and the members of his excellent company, whose sole offense is a series of awful and multicolored alleged southern accents with which every one of the players seems to feel bound to struggle.

"Mlle. Fifi," a farce comedy from the French, has taken the place of "The Turtle" at the Manhattan theater. It is controlled, like its unsavory predecessor, by the managers of the theater in which it is exploited. The effort has apparently been made, according to nearly all the critics, to out-Turtle "The Turtle," and, according to the same authorities, they have succeeded in their more or less laudable effort. The character which gives greatest offense in "Mlle. Fifi" is the one which is allotted to Miss Louise Beaudet. Miss Beaudet is one of the most talented women on the stage, and there is certainly no one who possesses greater versatility. She has been highly successful in almost every branch of theatrical effort, not excepting tragedy, and comic opera. That she should have been selected for a part, therefore, which was certain to bring down upon her head the abuse of critics because of the very excellence of her impersonation is very unfortunate.

Now that "Mlle. Fifi" has apparently "caught on" in its own peculiar way it will be instructive to speculate upon its successor. There is one consolatory reflection still possible, and that is that any manager who may take a thing like "The Turtle" as a starter and then set out to improve upon it in the way of immorality in each succeeding production is doomed to certain failure, for it is so very close to the limit that the police-interference-point must soon be reached.

"All things come to him who waits," even unpleasant things. Charles H. Hoyt, the man who created a new type of entertainment in this country, has written probably a score of farces. Until recently he had never been responsible for a failure, and the number of his emphatic successes was almost as great as the number of the plays which he had turned out. His nearest approach to a failure was "A Runaway Colt," and most of his admirers were of the opinion that that piece was as good as some others of his which had lasted for seasons, and that it only failed to "make good" by reason of the fact that in it Hoyt endeavored to make a bad actor of a very good baseball player, Adrian C. Anson, then manager of the Chicago team.

But Hoyt has been patiently or impatiently waiting, and at last he knows what it is to have a real failure on his hands; not one of those things that fool you by dawdling along, but a real, aggressive on-the-minute failure. The name of this freak play is "A Dog In the Manger," and one week after it was produced it was decided by the author and his partner to take it off. It is possible that Hoyt might have undertaken the "whipping into shape" process, which all of his farces have experienced, but his health is so poor that "A Dog In the Manger" was permitted to go on record with the distinction of being the only failure ever written by Charles H. Hoyt.

There prevails a very general impression that the skirt dancer is a thing of the past. This may be so with reference to the vast number of more or less young women who when every other means of livelihood fails take up that branch of the vaudeville business as a thing that anybody can do. All that these folks seem to regard as necessary is an outfit consisting of a few electric lamps, black back and side cloths and a few dresses of diaphanous material ornamented with some silver braid or a few pounds of spangles. Names are then found for the several dances, all of which are substantially the same, and the act is ready to be booked.

Of course there are several of these people in this country who are real dancers. These are constantly endeavoring to improve their acts and to make changes which will at least give the appearance of novelty. But in the main they go on doing the same thing month after month and year after year without a thought of anything new, depending upon Loie Fuller to originate for them effects which may be reproduced without great expense.

If these so called dancers would only peer beneath the surface they would soon learn that Loie Fuller does not continue to draw an immense salary because of her name, as they assert, but because no act or effect is ever so good that she does not try to improve upon it or to get up something absolutely new. A case in point: She has had for a long time a very profitable engagement in Paris at the Folies Bergeres. A certain production in London was not doing very well, and its managers went to Paris, paid Loie Fuller much more than the Parisians could afford and got her into their show. She has more than doubled the receipts, and even though skirt dancing may be dead in a general way it would seem that as applied to Loie Fuller it is still a very live issue.

Arthur Crispin

New York.

Intercollegiate Cricket.

The Intercollegiate Cricket association has appointed a committee, comprising R. S. Holland of Harvard, W. A. Evans of Haverford college and O. Paul of the University of Pennsylvania, to arrange an international game with the colleges of Canada this year. It was expected that Yale and Princeton would join in time to take part in the championship schedule of games of the season. The fixtures have been arranged, however, without them. The schedule is as follows:

May 16 and 17.—Harvard university against University of Pennsylvania, at Boston.

May 19 and 20.—University of Pennsylvania against Haverford college, at Philadelphia.

May 25 and 27.—Harvard university against Haverford college, at Boston.

Haverford college won the championship last year, but in the final game neither J. A. Lester nor D. H. Adams played for Harvard, although both were in residence there.

Great Relay Race Meet.

The Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania will give an intercollegiate relay race meeting on Saturday, April 29, open to all the colleges and universities of the United States and Canada. There will be three races to determine the college championship of America. One race will be over a mile course and the second will be a two mile race, concluding with one of four miles. There will be no entrance fees, and the teams will consist of four men each. An effort will be made to arrange the colleges in groups of nearly equal strength. The first group will be composed of Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Pennsylvania.

PILLSBURY'S CHESS RECORD.

Harry N. Pillsbury, the American chess champion, was born Dec. 5, 1872, in Somerville, Mass., which happens also to be the home of Charles F. Barker, the recognized American checker champion.

The following is the record made by the champion in match and tournament play:

1893—New York, impromptu, unplaced; Lasker, first.

1893—New York, masters' tourney, first prize; Hodges, second.

1894—New York, masters' tourney, unplaced; Steinitz, first.

1895—Hastings, international, first prize; Tschigorin, second.

1895-6—St. Petersburg, quadrangular, third prize; Lasker, first.

1896—Nuremberg, international, third prize with Tarrasch; Lasker, first.

1896—Budapest, international, third prize; Tschigorin, first.

1898—Vienna, international, second prize; Tarrasch, first.

1892—Boston, versus H. N. Stone; won by 5 to 1.

1892—Boston, versus J. F. Barry; won by 5 to 4.

1896—Vienna, versus B. English; drawn (five drawn games).

1897—Brooklyn, versus J. W. Showalter; won by 10 to 8 (United States championship).

1898—New York, versus J. W. Showalter, won by 7 to 3 (United States championship).

Pillsbury is pre-eminently a tournament and match player, but in addition to this is rated as among the cleverest of the masters in the different forms of exhibition chess. As a blindfold player he has few equals and is the peer of Blackburne, the famous Englishman, long considered to be the highest exponent of the art.

Pillsbury's conduct of the games when blindfolded is always remarkably fine. He rarely misses his way and evolves combinations well nigh as deep as though played over the board. The average number of games thus played by him at the same time is six or eight, but he has played as high as 10 and 12 successfully.

Sir Henry Irving carries with him on his tours his own tea—a fine Chinese variety that comes in silk sacks. He has his own teakettle, and after ordering hot water, sugar and rolls he attends to the making of the tea himself.

SPORTSMEN'S SHOW.

Great Convention of Lovers of Outdoor Sports—Some Novel Aquatic and Other Features of the Exhibition.

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New York will be the Mecca of all true sportsmen during the first week of March. Those whose business or other interests will compel them to be absent from the metropolis at that time will have their eyes turned in that direction and in spirit at least be present at the sportsmen's show to be held at Madison Square Garden March 2-11.

Of course the primary object of the exhibition, like the bicycle show, will be to benefit the trade and the concerns who deal in the various implements and accouterments that sportsmen need in the pursuit of their favorite pastimes. Dealers and manufacturers of all sorts of implements used by the hunter, the fisherman, the canoeist, the yachtsman or the devotee of field sports will display their goods.

But the exhibits of guns, rods, canoes, rackets, cameras, golf and other apparatus for games will not be found tame or uninteresting, as it might seem to the uninitiated. The visitor, moreover, unless he be interested in them, which, if he be an out and out sportsman, he surely will be, need look at none of these things. All sorts of interesting sights and events have been devised to attract and amuse visitors.

The immense main floor of the Garden, instead of being given up this year to trade exhibits, will be devoted to features showing life in the woods and forests and other things interesting to sportsmen.

The main entrance will be through an immense archway of greenery underlaid with tanbark, the whole so planned that at first the visitor will imagine he is entering a huge forest. Passing in, he will come upon a rustic bridge. This will lead to a small island, surrounded by water about ten feet broad. The island will contain a typical camp, with log cabins and tents and their surroundings in the North woods, while on the water will be small boats and launches of all sorts.

In the center of the Garden will be a miniature forest. It will be a model game park and will contain live specimens of buffalo, moose, caribou, elk, deer, antelope and other large game animals most prized by sportsmen.

The animals which will be exhibited have been specially collected for this show by Dr. Heber Bishop of Boston, vice president of the National Sportsmen's association, who has charge of that department. Dr. Bishop has recently returned from a hunting and collecting expedition through Maine, New Brunswick and Quebec in quest of rare animals. He has got together a collection of game animals such as were never before seen in any exhibition in this country.

During his tour Dr. Bishop had the luck to shoot one of the largest bull moose ever brought out of the woods. Dr. Bishop bagged the huge creature in the wilds of New Brunswick. He has had it stuffed and mounted, and it will be on exhibition at the show. This wonderful moose is 13 feet 3½ inches long from his nose to his hind hoofs and stands 6 feet 7 inches high. His antlers spread 60 inches and have 21 points, and he weighed as he fell between 1,200 and 1,300 pounds. He is the largest moose ever killed in the southwest Miramichi water, the previous record being 65 inches spread.

In another part of the building will be a game fish aquarium, around which fishermen will congregate, and, pointing out particularly good sized specimens of the species they delight to angle for, they will tell the credulous listeners how much larger were the fish they nearly caught last season. Each story will be eclipsed by the yarn of the next man, until the astonished layman will retreat with eyes as round and gaping as those of the finny creatures in the tanks, wondering why the management is willing to show such small fry when so many much bigger ones are still uncaught.

Live specimens of native game birds from all parts of the continent will also have a section to themselves, where those who are interested in wild fowl and kindred shooting can see almost all the known species of America. Special pains have been taken to make this exhibit as complete as possible.

The guides from Maine and other regions where big game abound are always surrounded by interesting relays of sportsmen, renewing old acquaintances, making new ones, relating new experiences and adventures and retelling old ones. Those men make most of their engagements for next season at the sportsmen's show, and some of them book dates as far as two seasons ahead.

Great are the hunters' yarns retailed by these famous guides for the delectation of the listeners, many of whom are present for the purpose of making a decision as to where they shall spend their next vacations. Some of the stories they relate and the hairbreadth escapes they have met with put many a book of adventure in the shade. The "doubting Thomas" in the crowd will go away convinced that the palm for "drawing the longbow" must be taken from the disciples of Izaak Walton and laid at the feet of these brawny sons of the woods and forests.

Whatever may be one's opinion, a sight of these hunters in their picturesque costumes, the log cabins and tents, sportsmen's camps, all decorated with trophies of the chase, snowshoes and other apparatus, will make the blood of the most inveterate stay-at-home course through his veins in a rush of enthusiasm and in spite of himself wish for a glimpse of the reality, gun in hand and quarry in view.

At one end of the Garden will be a large space taken up by an Indian village, occupied by families of the aborigines engaged in building canoes and snowshoes and in making baskets and beadwork. Antonio Apache, a famous chief, will be seen in the village, surrounded by the braves and squaws of his tribe.

Probably the most attractive feature of the whole exhibition in the estimation of those not directly interested in hunting with gun and rod will be the water carnival to be held during the week. Near the Indian village there will be constructed an artificial lake 75 feet long, 40 feet wide and 3 feet deep for the purpose of holding water polo, swimming and other competitive contests of interest. Several of the large athletic clubs of the country have been getting their teams and individual athletes in shape for these contests, notably the Knickerbocker and the New York Athletic clubs of New York city and the Boston Athletic association. Many of the colleges and universities have also entered their athletes for these aquatic sports.

Part of the programme for this water carnival is as follows: March 2, 75 yard novice swimming race, scratch; 50 yard tub race, open, scratch, and 25 yard swimming race, open, scratch. March 3, diving competition, open, scratch; 50 yard race, swimming on the back, open, scratch, and relay race open to teams from boat clubs only. March 4, indoor swimming championship of Greater New York, including a 50 yard race, 200 yard race, 100 yard race and a plunge and swim under water for distance. March 6, 100 yard handicap race, open, and 50 yard candle race, open, scratch. March 7, 150 yard novice race, scratch; apple race, open, scratch, and 200 yard handicap, open. March 8, 75 yard hippodrome swimming race, open, scratch; 100 yard handicap, open, and 25 yard race with feet and hands tied, open, scratch. March 9, 100 yard race for the championship of the fire, police and letter carriers' departments of Greater New York and 25 yard clothes race, open, scratch. March 10, relay race, open to all teams; 75 yard handicap, open, and trials in the water polo championship. March 11, 50 yard egg and spoon race, open, scratch; finals in water polo championship and 100 yard consolation race, scratch. There will also be collegiate, athletic or boat club water polo games every evening, so that it will be seen that the lake will be constantly the scene of exciting aquatic sports at all times. There are prizes of gold, silver and bronze medals, as well as money and watches, offered for these events.

The bowling alleys in the basement of the Garden will also be the scene of some great games. Head pin and other championships will be competed for, and many of the finest experts in the country will take part.

On the roof of the Garden the trap shooters will hold high carnival. Mr. Elmer E. Shaner, manager of the Interstate association and who is also on the board of managers of the sportsmen's show, will have charge of this department as well as of the revolver and rifle ranges. Some of the most famous shots with the different weapons, both amateur and professional, will be in attendance and take part in the competitions at inanimate targets.

CHARLES E. EDWARDES.

The Paris "Claque."

The tolerance of a claque in the French theaters is a mystery to American nerves. Sarah Bernhardt abolished it after her travels, but was obliged to restore it. Paris possesses a king of the claque, terror and providence of directors, who jobs out applause to all the great theaters of the capital. For a fixed sum paid by him for the privilege this august personage receives each day a certain number of seats, which he resells for his own profit, and in consideration of which he furnishes the quantity of bravos claimed by the theater. To the amounts thus realized are added the obligatory "presents" of the actors, of whom many pay from $20 to $60 a month to have their entries and recalls well "claqued."

A claque chief, if intelligent, becomes very quickly a capitalist and has always a sum at the disposition of directors in need. For a loan of $5,000 he receives $10,000 or $15,000 worth of tickets, or else they cede to him the "curtain raiser" for a determined period, by an arrangement as follows: The claque chief buys a one act play from some poor playwright for a few dollars and has it played for several hundred times consecutively, appropriating to himself the author's rights. It is by means of this combination that a bad one act play is sometimes kept running for as long as two years in certain theaters.

A. A. U. Gymnastic Championships.

The annual gymnastic championships of the Amateur Athletic union will be held under the auspices of the Knickerbocker Athletic club, New York, on Friday, March 17, in the club theater, at 8 p. m. In the following order the events will be decided: Parallel bars, long horse, side horse, swinging Indian clubs, rope climbing, 25 feet for speed; individual tumbling, horizontal bar, flying rings and all round standing apparatus championship. The usual championship medals will be presented to first, second and third men.

YALE'S NEW ROWING COACH.

Great efforts are being put forth at Yale this year by the rowing men to turn out a winning eight and by this means get back some of the prestige which she has lost to Cornell by the defeats of the past two seasons. In line with these efforts a novel experiment in crew coaching will be made at New Haven. A member of the college faculty will handle the oarsmen. His name is Dr. Edson Fessenden Gallaudet, and he has been connected with the department of social science for two years.

Dr. Gallaudet is 28 years of age, and he graduated from Yale in 1892. During his course at the university he enjoyed the honor of stroking two champion varsity crews to victory. In 1892, under Captain Hartwell, and in 1893, under Captain Ives, he set a stroke that put the crew a quarter of a mile ahead of Harvard at the finish. His appointment is highly approved of by both alumni and undergraduates. As the cleanest cut oar that ever pulled the old Bob Cook stroke he can teach the blue oarsmen the best system of rowing the university ever knew.

FOOTLIGHT FLASHES.

W. S. Gilbert's working day begins at midnight.

It was reported that Robert Hilliard's friends put up $20,000 in cash for the purchase of an interest in the spectacular English melodrama "Sporting Life," which enjoyed a five months' run at the Academy of Music, New York. The play is said to be the costliest and at the same time the most successful melodrama ever produced in New York.

From present indications there will be at least one new and important star in the field next season. Mme. Flower, known as the Colored Melba, in contradistinction to the Black Patti, is having an opera written for her which will be more pretentious than the regulation comic opera. Mme. Flower is going abroad to fill engagements in London. Her manager, M. Weinstack, purposes to get together in Europe a company of colored singers to support the new star. An opera company composed entirely of colored people will be somewhat of a novelty.

Wagenhals & Kemper contemplate a spectacular production of "Damon and Pythias" next season. Louis James will be the Damon and Frederick Warde the Pythias.

The instrument which Edouard Remenyi, the famous violinist, was playing when he fell dead on the stage was a Stradivarius known as "the Titan." He had refused many offers of large sums for it. Sol Marcosson, the young American virtuoso, has purchased it for $4,000.

Beerbohm Tree's godfather was the Emperor Frederick of Germany.

This is the latest from Bernhardt: "I am afraid I shall be going to America next year for the last time. I have arranged for a long tour and suppose it will be my farewell visit."

Work in some of the cut rate stock companies grows harder for the actors. At one theater the play is changed twice a week, and two performances are given daily.

Marian McEnery, who is on the vaudeville stage, is a daughter of former Governor McEnery of Louisiana and belongs to one of New Orleans' fashionable families.

Miss Julia Arthur has secured the English rights to the new play by M. Emile Bergerac entitled "More Than Queen" and dealing with the marriage of Napoleon and Josephine and their divorce.

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The term of the evening schools will come to a close Friday evening, March 3.

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The safe arrival of the Pavonia is another proof of Cunard luck and an additional tribute to the line's unbroken immunity from loss of life.

Mrs. Rolfe, county superintendent of the Women's Christian Temperance union will address the Dracut branch tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Old Yellow Meeting House and again at 7.45 o'clock which latter will be open to citizens.

The people of Lowell rejoice to hear that the trouble between the spinners and the Merrimack mills is practically settled. Now to make the amende honorable we suggest that Agent Peal show his magnanimity by restoring the discharged men to their places.

GIRL OF 17

MARRIED TO A MAN OF 78 YEARS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20—Dr. Thomas J. T. Buffington, aged 78 years and Miss Fannie Conrad, aged 17, both of Baton Rouge, were married at the hotel Royal on Thursday night by Rev. J. M. Laval, administrator of the archdiocese of New Orleans. The wedding was bitterly opposed by the aged bridegroom's family and as little publicity was given the ceremony as possible. Dr. Buffington is a man of great wealth and has been married twice before, both his former wives being aunts to his present bride who is a daughter of Mr. A. L. D. Conrad of Baton Rouge and a girl of great beauty. She is a grand niece if Charles Conrad who was secretary of the navy in the cabinet of President Fillmore.

CATHOLIC NEWS.

The magnificent new St. Peter's church was opened yesterday afternoon for the first time for the inspection of the parishioners and was visited by thousands who admired its splendid proportions and exquisite finish so far as completed.

At St. Peter's church on Wednesday forenoon next there will be a requiem mass celebrated for the repose of the soul of a former pastor of the church the late lamented Rev. Peter Crudden.

On Friday forenoon next at St. Peter's church, a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of the late John J. Mealey.

At 6 o'clock mass at the Sacred Heart church yesterday morning, the pastor, Rev. John P. Reynolds, O.M.I., was the celebrant. The children's mass at 8 o'clock and the high mass at 10.30 o'clock were celebrated by Rev. John McRory, O.M.I. At the former mass the pastor gave instructions and at the high mass he delivered a very eloquent discourse on "Serving God."

SUPERIOR COURT.

At the Superior court last week true bills were found against the following Lowell people, besides W. T. True and Edward D. Murphy,

Bartholomew J. Curtin and Catherine C. Buchanan, adultery.

Alfred Boudereau and Mary Hamel, adultery.

Phillip Peland and Julia Cheney adultery.

Charles A. Forbes, assault and battery.

Louis Perry, alias John Heroux, the alleged assailant of Dr. Holt on Kirk street, assault and battery.

George Butt, felonious assault.

George H. Maguire, breaking and entering and larceny.

Olaf Mattson, breaking and entering and larceny.

Joseph Preneau, breaking and entering and larceny.

Thomas Duge, William F. Barr and Alfred K. Jeffrey, breaking and entering and larceny.

Joseph Riley, breaking and entering.

John T. Emmott, breaking and entering.

Wilfred Bourgeault, breaking and entering.

James F. Walsh, breaking and entering and larceny.

Richard Smith, breaking and entering and larceny.

P. Hildreth Parker, larceny and forgery.

Alexander H. Bailey, breaking and entering and larceny in Lowell and Waltham.

Fred Barrows and Clara B. Neal, adultery.

Edward J. Cutting and Mary A. Cahill, adultery.

Peter Bushee and Maria Connolly, adultery.

Heber H. Saunders, felonious assault at Westford.

Frank J. Connolly, breaking and entering.

Christ Lampros, larceny.

In several other Lowell cases no bills were returned. The trial of cases will begin to-day.

INJURIES PROVED FATAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NASHUA, N. H., Feb. 20.—Joseph Boury, who was struck by the 8.30 train from Worcester while driving in a sleigh on Chestnut street in this city Saturday, died from his injuries at 5 o'clock Saturday at the Emergency hospital. Mr. Boury who was 47, was a native of Plattsburg, N. Y., and had resided here for 30 years. For 18 years he was employed at the Nashua Manufacturing company's mills and for 12 years he had been a barber. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias. He is survived by a mother, a wife, a brother and six sisters.

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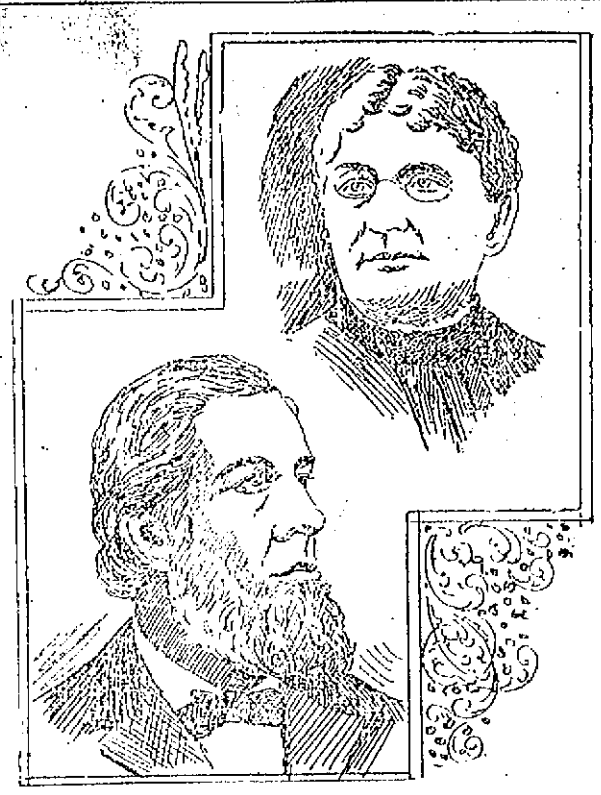

MR. AND MRS. DANIEL R. WALLACE, Who Celebrated Their Golden Wedding.

HAPPY COUPLES

Anniversary Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace

SILVER WEDDING OF MR. AND MRS. DOLE.

Both Observed at Highland Congregational Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Wallace of Walker street on Saturday celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Appropriate exercises were held at the pretty homestead of the happy couple and all during the day congratulations by mail were received. A large number of neighbors and friends as well as the descendents of the celebrants were present at the home and many a kind wish for the future health and happiness of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace was expressed. In the evening, the happy couple in company with Mr. and Mrs. William T. Dole of Westford, who were observing their silver wedding, held a reception in the Highland Congregational church. Guests were received from 7 to 9 o'clock. A pretty arranged entertainment program which included a congratulatory address by the beloved pastor, Rev. C. L. Merriam was given after which refreshments were served and an informal convention of friends expressed their great happiness in having the honor to be present at such a notable event.

Mr. Daniel R. Wallace was born in Moultonville, New Hampshire, April 21, 1823. Coming to Lowell in 1847 he went to work in the Boott Cotton mills where he remained for nearly 23 years the last ten of which he served as overseer. Since 1869 he has been identified with the life insurance business and since 1884 with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. In 1892 he identified himself with the Highland Congregational church and is the senior deacon of that society at the present time.

Feb. 18, 1849, he was married to Miss Almira Martin at North Andover. Mrs. Wallace was born at Limington, Me., June 7, 1829, and came to North Andover during her childhood, where she resided until her marriage. Two children were the result of this union, Myra J., (Mrs. George L. Warren) born Aug. 20, 1852, of Boston, and Charles Sumner, born April 22, 1856, died Sept. 14, 1857 and was buried in this city.

Mrs. Wallace is also an active worker of the Highland Congregational church. Like her husband she is well preserved and enjoys good health. She is a woman of remarkable executive ability and foundation of character, also of a high spiritual character, she is probably one of the most influential women in the Highland Congregational church.

Mr. William T. Dole was born in this city in April, 1848. He attended the public schools of this city and for the past several years has been identified with the grocery business. He is at present in the employ of J. B. Duffer, corner of Branch and School streets. Mr. Dole is the junior deacon of the Highland Congregational church, being appointed this year, and is one of the founders of that church. He has always taken an active interest in the workings of the departments of the church and has a host of friends. Feb. 4, 1874, he was married to Miss Lydia A. Farmer, who is a native of Dracut. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. J. M. Greene, the couple being attendants of the Eliot church at that time. Five children have blessed the union, four of whom are now living, Edith M., Albert E., Foster H., and Wallace A.

Since their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Dole have resided at 595 Westford street. During the early part of their married life the part of Westford street in which they live was in the town of Dracut.

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THE COMING GAME

Basket Ball is Fast Growing Popular.

HOW IT COMPARES WITH BOXING.

Saturday's Game at the Y. M. C. A.

Despite the miserable weather of Saturday evening a large and enthusiastic gathering which included many of the fair sex applauded and cheered themselves hoarse at the basket ball game of the Y.M.C.A.'s of Lowell and Lawrence which was held in the local Y.M.C.A. gym and which resulted in a severe trouncing for the Lowell-boys. To describe the technicalities or scientific features of the game is beyond me as I am a stranger to the game but if you want impressions you may be accommodated.

In the first place basket ball is a coming game especially since boxing has been prohibited for if one is looking for excitement and trouble he can't afford to miss a basket ball game.

Basket ball as it is played differs from boxing in many respects. In boxing if you strangle, kick, wrestle, bite or in any other way disregard the rules the referee immediately calls a foul and you lose everything. In basket ball under similar circumstances, the referee may or may not call a foul. If he does, the other side is given an opportunity to throw a goal and score one additional point and the man who fouls goes ahead playing with a chance to foul again if he chooses.

Then in boxing, if a contestant is knocked out, the bout is concluded, the police called in and the clergyman given a topic of discussion while in basket ball a fresh man is substituted for the unfortunate and the game proceeds. In boxing, too, the two contestants whether tired or injured, must go to the end of the bout, but in basket ball when one man feels too tired to accomplish further effective work he is relegated to the dressing room and a fresh man is put in to do battle with an opponent who has been playing several minutes.

Finally in boxing, if a spectator is heard to cry out any such remarks as "Soak him Down" or "Get on to him, Harris" he is promptly and without ceremony ejected. In basket ball all such remarks are attributed to ungoverable enthusiasm and they are "stood for" by the parties holding the game.

But basket ball, withal, is a scientific and most interesting game when properly played. It requires plenty of room however, and I believe, impartial referees and umpires.

The game Saturday night was played in close quarters and the Y.M.C.A. men of Lawrence caught the spectators by playing all around the Lowell boys. Dion earned the favor of the audience by his clever work and they liked that of Kierstead. Harris came in on the second half and he played a good rough game. He doesn't intend to, they say, but he's a rough player, nevertheless. I noticed some of the P.A.C. players sizing up Harris Saturday night and as they play the Y.M.C.A.'s tomorrow night it wouldn't be a bad place to invest 15 cents in an admission to the game.

During the game there was one long and one short wrangle, which seriously detracted from the pleasure of the game. These might have been avoided had the referee and umpire been disinterested parties. The final score was 9 to 2 in favor of Lawrence.

The line-up:

Lawrence.	Lowell.
Hamer, lf	rg Harris
Dionne rf	lg Kierstead (capt.)
Sands (capt.) c	c Wilson
Halloran lg	rf Muzzey
Frost rg	lf Frost

The summary:

First Half.

Goal 1—Sands, Lawrence, 6m.
Goal 2—Sands, Lawrence, 13m, 10 s.

Second Half.

Goal 3—McFarland, Lowell, 4 m, 20s.
Goal 4—Sands (on foul), Lawrence, 7m.
Goal 7—Hamer, Lawrence, 30s.

Score—Lawrence 9, Lowell 2. Goals—Scored by McFarland, Sands (2), Hamer: Points on fouls—Sands (3). Referees—Shaw of Lowell and Heskill of Lawrence. Timekeepers—Loughlin of Lowell and Fox of Lawrence. Time—20-minute halves.

THE BURKES LOST.

The Burkes were beaten at Milbury Saturday night by a score to 8 to 3.

There is some excuse for the defeat, however, as two of the Burkes' best players were injured and the second period of the game was played by them with only four men. The Burkes' team was shifted somewhat in its make-up, O'Neil playing center and Kelleher going to left guard. Healey was laid off during the first half. During the first half Neville was injured and could not play in the second half. Healey was therefore put in the game at center, O'Neil going to right guard. "Pete" Reagan had his ankle wrenched but was obliged to continue in the game as there was no other substitute on hand. He simply remained near the goal, doing his best to guard and was of course unable to get into any scrimmage. Kelleher played a good lively game and did more than was expected from him. The general play of the Burkes was good and the men made an earnest effort to win but were handicapped.

In the first half the Milbury team scored six points on baskets from the floor, while Lowell got one point. Reagan scoring on a foul. In the second half Reagan scored two points on fouls, and Milbury scored two points on a basket from the floor. The final score was 8—3. Reagan did all the Burkes' scoring.

Lineup and summary:

C. Y. M. L. A.	BURKES.
Crossman lf	lf Tierney
Wood rf	rf. Reagan
Wiseman c	c O'Neil, Healey
Hehir rg	rg Neville, O'Neil
Williams lg	lg Kelleher

Score—C. Y. M. L. A., 8, Burkes, 3. Goals from floor—Hehir, Williams, Wiseman and Crossman. Goals from fouls—Reagan 3. Umpire and Referee McCarty for Lowell and Cronin for C. Y. M. L. A. Time of game—two 20-minute halves.

Y. M. C. A. JUNIORS.

The Lowell Y. M. C. A. junior team won the fifth consecutive victory by defeating the junior team of the Nashua Y. M. C. A. at the latter city, Saturday night. The visiting team had a complete walkover, defeating their opponents by a score of 26 to 6.

LOWELL.	NASHUA.
Pearson lf	lf Bell
Rafferty rf	rf Smith
Cleaves c	c Perrion
Wilinsky rg	rg Blackman
Gamble lg	lg Manseaux

Score—Lowell 26, Nashua 6. Goals from floor—Rafferty 3, Cleaves 2, Wilinsky 3, Pearson 2, Gamble 2, Smith, Perrion and Blackman. Umpire and referee—Hessie for Lowell and Crittenden for Nashua. Time of game—two 20-minute halves.

CRISP GOSSIP.

Yesterday was the first Sunday in Lent.

The condition of the sidewalks on Saturday was simply horrible.

Here is one effect of the blizzard described by the Bennington writer in the Troy Times:

"The intense cold and vast regions of deep snow in the vicinity have driven the hawks from the woods to prey on the English sparrows that live in the village. Nothing stirs in the silent depths of the forest and the hawk can find no food there. It is not uncommon to see hawk wheeling in the air, the circles gradually growing smaller, when shooting in a direct line, and swiftly as an arrow sent from a bow he seizes a sparrow in his talons and bears it away, the little victim being frightened and uttering piteous cries. No one recollects ever having seen a hawk in the village before on such a mission.

Rubbers and overshoes have the call such weather as this.

Charles Lamb was born 124 years ago Saturday.

Officer Benson Munyan of Northampton and well known to many of the Lowell police severed his connection with the state district police force. He has been an efficient and honored officer but he has been in bad health for a long time and the state needed a man physically equal to the place. Mr. Munyan has had a long and interesting career as a detective and has been identified with many of the most important criminal cases in Hampshire and Franklin counties, which district was under his care. He worked very hard on the McCloud murder case at Shelburne Falls in 1897 and was obliged to give up work for several months.

There will be a lively race after the office, several applicants being already in the field.—Deputy Sheriff Woods of Pittsfield is reported to have a strong backing. Deputy Sheriff E. C. Fowler of Orange is also mentioned as a fit man for the position.

Only eight more days of February remain.

The snow rapidly disappeared rapidly the past few days.

Weather phophets are now predicting rain and spring freshets.

Rubber boots will be in great demand if the thaw continues.

Street crossings are in very bad condition.

The following journalistic bouquet is from the Woburn Journal:

The Lowell Sun of February 11, contained an excellent portrait of "Waterman Brown, oldest railroad man in the country" followed by full two columns of biography of the venerable gateman of the most interesting character. It was an epitome of Mr. Brown's life, sketchy, powerful, and not exhaustive. The headlines, in bold type, read: "Old Character is Old Wat Brown of North Woburn. Oldest Railroad Man in the World. Still tending Crossing at Woburn." It was a good piece of newspaper work and complimentary to gateman Brown.

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HEART DISEASE.

Some Facts Regarding the Rapid Increase of Heart Troubles.

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Real organic disease is incurable; but not one case in a hundred of heart trouble is organic.

The close relation between heart trouble and poor digestion is because both organs are controlled by the same great nerves, the Sympathetic and the Pneumogastric.

In another way, also the heart is effected by the form of poor digestion, which causes gas and fermentation from half-digested food. There is a feeling of oppression and heaviness in the chest caused by pressure of the distended stomach on the heart and lungs, interfering with their action; hence arises palpitation and short breath.

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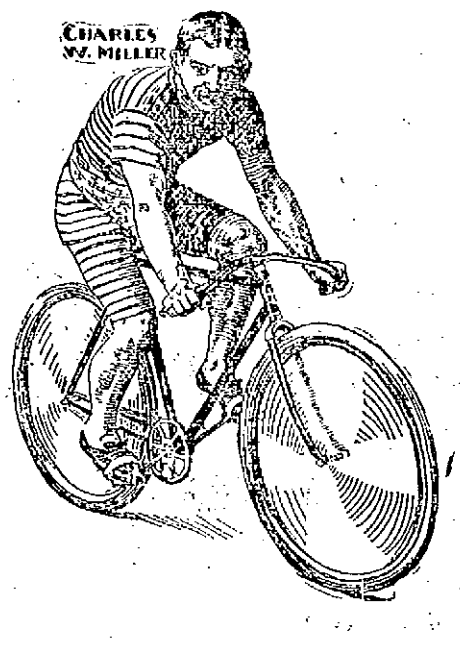

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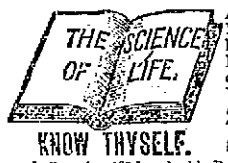

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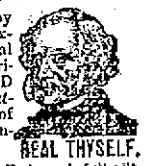

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NIGHT EDITION

SIX O'CLOCK.

MR. KING A WITNESS

He Came Very Near Drinking the Poison.

Offered Him by Cornish for Bromo Seltzer—He Said He Thought Barnet Died of Diphtheria.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The Adams inquest was continued to-day. Harry A. King, a stock-broker, was the first witness called to the stand. King was the first person to whom Cornish showed the poison bottle and holder. Mr. King was a member of the Knickerbocker Athletic club and knew H. C. Barnet and Harry Cornish. He knew Barnet only by sight. He had always supposed that Barnet died of diphtheria and had not heard that the latter was supposed to have died of poison until he read it in the newspapers in connection with the death of Mrs. Adams.

On Saturday, December 24, at the club Cornish showed witness the bottle of bromo seltzer and holder and said something about it being a Christmas present. Witness said: "I have a slight headache and I think I'll take some."

Cornish pushed the bottle and holder toward him and he took it over to the water cooler. There was no glass there and no water in the cooler, so he returned the bottle and holder to Cornish's desk and said: "I don't think I'll bother with it."

"You first stated that there was no water in the cooler. Now you say neither water nor glass," said Assistant District Attorney Osborne.

"That is so, there was neither water or glass."

"You haven't altered your statement to fit the statements made by Cornish and Finneran?"

"No."

"Did you not read in the papers that Cornish said there was no water in the cooler and Finneran said there was no glass there?"

"There was neither water nor glass."

Mr. King said he talked about the case with Cornish in Mr. Yocum's room at the club on the night of Mrs. Adams' death. Cornish was very sick. He recalled the incident of the bromo seltzer bottle and witness remarked that it was a lucky thing for him that he had not taken any of the contents of the bottle.

Mr. King denied that in his talk with Cornish any comment was made on the similarity of the deaths of Mrs. Adams and Barnet. Witness said he had taken bromo seltzer several times, but he was unable to give any accurate description of a bromo seltzer bottle.

COURT OF INQUIRY

Ready to Open Army Beef Investigation.

The Court Called on Pres. McKinley, Sec. Alger and Gen. Miles—Favorable Report on Bill to Pay Spain $20,000,000—Favorable Committee Report on Bill For a Cable to Hawaii and Manila.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—The court inquiry to examine into the beef controversy assembled at the Lemon building shortly after ten o'clock this morning, preparatory to its first formal session. At 10.35, the court in full dress uniform, proceeded to the white house where it paid its respect to the president, and then to the war department where it called upon Secretary Alger and Major General Miles. Meantime, representatives of the press who were accorded places in the court room had assembled, and on the outside were many other correspondents and a number of artists specially detailed to attend the inquiry.

The court returned at 12.05 from its visits of courtesy and after two photographers made pictures of the court Col. Davis announced readiness to proceed and read the orders convening the court, and its instructions.

Following the reading of the order, which has been published already, Col. Davis read a letter from Adjutant General Corbin in response to a letter from General Wade, president of the court, explaining more specifically the lines along which the court was expected to investigate.

The court was then sworn, and Maj. Gen. Nelson A. Miles was presented as the first witness. He appeared in fatigue uniform and was sworn. After stating his rank and office he was asked about his statement before the war commission. He said he made one and upon Col. Davis submitting a printed report of that statement, General Miles examined and approved it.

Then he was asked about an alleged interview, which appeared in the New York Journal of December 23, whether it represented completely or in part what he said.

General Miles said:

"I do not recall anything in that interview that had not been given in my testimony or transmitted in my reports. You will observe it contains a number of my declinations to name officers or my authorities and refusals to answer. It must therefore be incorrect in its representation."

He then commented upon the general slight inaccuracy of newspaper interviews owing to the dependency of writers upon their memories. Hardly a day in six months had passed that an interviewer had not applied to him and because of the kindness of the press to the army and especially to the enlisted men, he had endeavored to give them such information as he thought wise and safe but never, he said, with a view to prejudicing anyone against any person or department. Finally, General Miles, said he did not think the Journal interview represented correctly what was said, because its contents should be taken in connection with all that was said, his silence upon some points and speech upon others.

Then being asked about an interview from the New York Herald of February 5, he said:

"I have a letter from the gentleman who, I understand, wrote this in which he says he is willing to swear that I declined to be interviewed, and that, thinking something had been given out, he had proceeded to write what he knew were facts."

He then pointed out that the interview was erroneous in that where it represented him to have said that he had overwhelming evidence that the refrigerated beef was treated with chemicals, the facts was that his only evidence was what was contained in the reports of officers and statements of men who claimed that the beef had the odor of an embalmed body and that they had seen fluid injected into the beef. He declared the interview an erroneous presentation of what he could possibly have said.

Col. Davis, recurring to the statement of General Miles before the War Commission, asked him what his idea as to the beef supply for the army was when war broke out.

Replying, General Miles said while his attention was occupied with weightier matter of mobilization and equipment of troops, he felt confident that the usage of a hundred years would be followed and cattle herds would be shipped to the army in the tropics and killed there just as they had been through the south during the civil war. He reviewed his action in cabling the department to send no more refrigerated beef to Porto Rico while he was there, finding it possible to use beef on the hoof.

General Miles said that he understood that our troops in Porto Rico were still being supplied with a form of refrigerated beef, although the country was as good a grass country as any in the world.

Col. Davis asked if General Miles knew whether Porto Rico exported any cattle.

Witness said it did to the number of several thousand and that they were fine cattle. Still, he understood that our troops were not only receiving refrigerator beef at the coast but it was being sent into the interior. The situation now, he said, was different from that during the war. Now there were ice machines on shore. Then there was not ice enough for the hospitals. Recurring to the expediency of feeding the troops hoof beef in Porto Rico, General Miles said he was much in favor of it.

"Do you think," continued Colonel Davis, "that the native beef would keep as well as the refrigerator beef in the absence of cooling apparatus on shore?"

"I am quite sure it would unless the refrigerator beef was chemically treated with preservatives. If it was treated so as to keep for 72 hours after coming out of the coolers, of course it had the advantage of the native beef so far as keeping goes."

General Miles in his testimony said his use of the phrase "pretense of experiment" in speaking of army beef was unfortunate. He disclaimed intending any inference of fraud and said he should have said the refrigerated beef issue was "on the theory of an experiment and a very costly one."

$20,000,000 FOR SPAIN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20—The house committee on appropriations today ordered a favorable report on the bill to pay Spain $20,000,000 for the Philippines. The amendment declaring the policy of the government toward the Philippines was defeated by a party vote. Chairman Cannon was directed to call up the bill today under suspension of the rules.

WANT A NEW CABLE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The senate committee on foreign relations today authorized a favorable report upon an amendment to be offered to the Sundry Civil bill, providing for the construction of a cable to Hawaii and Manila. The cable is not to be built by the United States, but a yearly subsidy is to be paid by the government.

MUSTERED OUT.

ALL VOLUNTEERS IN UNITED STATES WILL BE MUSTERED OUT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The war department today issued the following statement: "Orders have been given for the mustering out of the following volunteer regiments: At Savannah, Ga., the Third Georgia; Batteries A, B, C, D, Maine Artillery; 202d New York volunteers.

At their present camps at Augusta, Ga., and Greenville, S. C.: Third Alabama, Third Connecticut, Fifth Massachusetts, Thirty-fifth Michigan, Fifteenth Minnesota, Fourth New Jersey, 201st New York, 203d New York, Tenth Ohio, First Rhode Island, Second West Virginia. This order discharges all the volunteers remaining in the United States.

MURPHY FATALLY WOUNDED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MONTPELIER, Vt., Feb. 20.—Word was received at police headquarters in this city at midnight Saturday alleging Charles Doherty had shot and and fatally wounded Fred Murphy at the Bolton Falls electric power plant, 16 miles west of this city, and that Doherty was heading toward Montpelier. Policemen started toward Montpelier Junction but before reaching there met Doherty and took him into custody. He is now in jail in this city.

LOGUE IDENTIFIED BY MRS. DONOVAN.

Thomas Logue, one of the two alleged to have assaulted John B. Cover, in his store in Lowell last Saturday night and who was arrested in Lawrence Wednesday night, was taken before Mrs. Donovan of Myrtle street, Lawrence, prior to his being removed to Lowell. She identified him as the person who it will be remembered entered her store last summer and stole several articles. This will be another of the apparently fact accumulating charges against him.

INA DARLING DEAD

She Passed Away at the House of Correction.

WAS SERVING A TWENTY YEARS' SENTENCE.

Was Implicated in an Atrocious Crime.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—It was learned today that Ina E. Darling, who was serving a 20 year term in the house of correction at South Boston for manslaughter, died Friday afternoon.

She had hoped for release and her father, George F. Darling, a New Hampshire farmer, pleaded in vain up to the last moment. In October, Mr. Darling filed an application with the Governor for his daughter's pardon.

Governor Wolcott had an investigation made, but declined to refer the application to the Pardon Committee.

The woman had served five years of her sentence. She was taken ill immediately after being sentenced.

The crime in which the woman was implicated, was one of the most atrocious in the history of Massachusetts. She was adjudged guilty as principal, and Frank Baudet, with whom she had lived for some years, although not his wife, as accessory, of causing the death of Madeline Baudet, the nine year old daughter of the man.

At the trial, evidence was presented to show that Baudet was in the habit of binding the child hand and foot to leave her for long periods. The child wasted away from starvation until she weighed only 30 pounds. Her body was covered with wounds and scars and other evidence of brutal treatment. There was also a wound on her head which caused her death, inflicted by the Darling woman.

The body will be taken to New Hampshire for burial in the family lot.

ROUGH VOYAGE

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO HAS ARRIVED AT BRUNSWICK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BRUNSWICK, Ga., Feb. 20.—The steamer City of San Antonio of the Mallory line, three days overdue from New York and Boston, has arrived here. Capt. Avery reported the worst experience of his life and says the storm which he encountered soon after leaving New York was appalling.

The San Antonio was out but four hours from New York when a blinding snowstorm set in and she was compelled to heave to. Inside of an hour both her anchors had been lost and the vessel was at the mercy of the gale. Capt. Avery says it was simply impossible to steer the vessel owing to the storm and although he was immediately sent seaward he did not know where she was going.

CARDINAL'S CREW

BROUGHT INTO PORT AT BALTIMORE TODAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 20.—The steamer Lord Charlemont from Ardrossan which arrived here this morning had aboard the crew of the steamship Cardinal of Newcastle which was abandoned February 15, in lat. 40 north long. 60 west. The Cardinal sailed from Pensacola for Antwerp, February with a cargo of lumber and timbers on deck. She coaled at Norfolk February 8 and sailed the next day. Soon after getting to sea she encountered terrific gales and seas swept over her, carrying away her bulwarks and flooding her hold. Until February 14, her crew endured great hardships from cold and hunger and on the morning of the 15th when the Lord Charlemont hove in sight it was decided to abandon her.

THOUGHT IT BURGLARS' WORK.

A snow ball thrown by a small boy broke a large plate glass window in the provision store of John Flynn on Concord street last night and gave the impression to passersbys that burglars had entered the place. A search was made of the premises by the patrolmen of the beat who later notified Billy Gallagher manager of the place. The boy who broke the window will be arrested.

Mayor Crowley has called a special meeting of both branches of the city council for tomorrow night, and City Messenger Fagan sent out the notices this morning. Action on the appropriations is expected and it is possible that the assessors' department will be considered.

The committee on ordinances and legislation will meet at 7.30 o'clock tonight, and will probably agree upon the ordinance introduced by Alderman Taylor and report it to the council tomorrow night.

WILLARD MILBURY

Arrested on Charge of Conspiracy to Defraud.

HE WAS WATCHED BY POLICE OFFICER

He Denies That He is Guilty.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

DANVERS, Mass., Feb. 20.—The authorities here are deep in an investigation today as the result of evidence presented to them Saturday night by Gilbert A. Tapley of this place, which is thought to indicate the existence of a conspiracy to defraud by means of threats of personal violence, Willard P. Millbury of Danvers Centre is under arrest and it is believed that other persons soon will be taken into custody.

Mr. Tapley received a letter on Saturday, apparently written by a woman, demanding a sum of money. It was very forcibly stated that if the money was not forthcoming, Mr. Tapley would suffer. He was requested to do up the money in a package, in bills of small denomination ,taking care that none were marked, and to place the bundle at the side of a post at the entrance to Holten cemetery in Taplerville, Saturday evening. He was warned to be prompt and not to set a watch. Mr. Tapley turned the letter over to the police who advised him to carry out the directions. Early in the evening an officer was placed in hiding nearby. Mr. Tapley dropped a package at the place designated and retired.

Just before nine o'clock a man was seen by the watching officials to walk up hastily, cast a hurried look about, and dodging in at the entrance of the cemetery thrust his hand down behind the post. Then he hurried away. The policeman followed and coming up with the stranger, placed him under arrest.

The prisoner, who proved to be Willard P. Millbury denied positively all knowledge of anything that should lead to his arrest. He will be given a hearing later, pending which the authorities are investigating the case, as they suspect that others besides Millbury are implicated. Millbury was to have been married tomorrow to an estimable young woman of Danvers.

MANY ARRESTS MADE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—The city is calm today and stringent precautions have been taken to maintain order.

About 160 persons were arrested yesterday for taking part in the disturbances. Of this number, sixty were detained in custody.

BADLY BURNED

Mrs. William P. Whitman of Brockton Injured.

IN AN EXPLOSION AT HER HOME.

Two Other Persons Were Also Injured.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BROCKTON, Mass., Feb. 20.—Mrs. William P. Whitman, wife of a prominent shoe manufacturer, was seriously burned about the neck, face, arms and hands in a fire which followed an explosion at the Whitman residence on Main street, this forenoon.

Miss Augusta Benson, a domestic and Joseph H. Glenn, a hostler were also burned about the neck, face, arms and Miss Benson has been removed to the Brockton hospital.

Mrs. Whitman's injuries may not prove fatal.

The explosion took place when some articles which were being washed with gasolene, were taken into the laundry where a fire in a stove was burning.

Damage from fire slight.

BISHOP LAWRENCE

FAVORS MAINTENANCE OF JAILS BY STATE AND NOT COUNTIES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—The Executive committee on prisons gave a hearing today on the bill accompanying the pedition of Bishop William Lawrence of Massachusetts and others for the maintenance of jails and houses of correction by the commonwealth, instead of by the counties, as at present.

Moorefield Story, representing the petitioners, spoke of the recommendations of the special prison commission and of Governor Wolcott in behalf of the state control of prisons. The reasons in brief are that the present prison system is wrong for the hardened offender should be separated from the young law breaker.

This bill is in the interest of economy. We must change our system or build a new state prison. We propose to distribute the expense so that no city or town will be burdened.

Mayor Josiah Quincy of Boston and Bishop Lawrence spoke in favor of the project.

WAS INSTANTLY KILLED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CONCORD, N. H., Feb. 20.—W. D. Kimball a local contractor was instantly killed at 1:05 this afternoon by the explosion of a dynamite cartridge which he was thawing out over a kerosene stove.

SUPREME COURT

Decides a Case Under Wilson Tariff Act.

ALLOWS NO REBATE OF ALCOHOL TAX.

For Alcohol Used in Arts and Manufacture.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—In the United States supreme court today the case of Dunlap vs. the United States was disposed of, the decision being in the interest of the United States. The case involves the validity of the provision in the Wilson tariff act providing for a rebate of the tax on alcohol used in the arts and manufacture. It came to the supreme court from the circuit court of appeals for the second circuit. The opinion was rendered by Chief Justice Fuller and was against payment of rebates to the manufacturers.

MANUFACTURERS

WILL ACT THIS AFTERNOON ON PETITION FOR MORE PAY.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Feb. 20.—The Manufacturers' association will meet this afternoon to take action on the request for a restoration of wages made by the operatives. The belief at noon was that a committee would be appointed by the manufacturers to meet the help and arrange for margins that would be the basis of any increase. The sentiment generally is that an advance is inevitable.

REMOVING THE WRECK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NARRAGANSETT PIER, R. I., Feb. 20.—The Scott Wrecking company of New London has sent men to examine the wreck of the coal laden four-masted schooner Addie M. Anderson, which lies sunk off Whale Rock. The wreckers after removing the sails and light spars, ceased operations. The wreck is a menace to navigation as the vessel lies in the ship channel.

G. O. Taylor Whiskies, grow in popularity.

MILLER WON

IN THE SIX DAY'S RACE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 20.—Mechanic's pavilion was crowded all day, and yesterday afternoon standing room was at a premium in the big amphitheater. There was a noisy crowd and every rider in the race had his following. The "grinders" were greatly cheered by the continued demonstration on the part of the spectators, and despite their exhaustion there was continued sprinting during the afternoon and evening.

With the exception of Hale, Miller, Fredericks, Pilkington and Ashinger, the riders have greatly reduced in weight. Aaronson is at least 15 pounds lighter than when he started. Nawn looks drawn and thin. Barnaby is six pounds shy and Lawson has lost the same amount of flesh.

The race was ended at 10.15, 30 minutes ahead of time. It was obvious that the men could not change their relative positions by riding longer, and the management concluded to call the race at an end instead of riding through until 10.54.

The contestants were all on the track except Gimm, who retired at 8 p. m., and did not return. At the end of the 143d hour at 9.54 all the riders retired for a few minutes, and returned long enough only to make a showing.

The final score was as follows:

Miller 2192 miles, Aaronson 2146, Fredericks 2030, Hale 2062, Gimm 2060, Nawn 2012, Alberts 1828, Barnaby 1792, Pilkington 1729, Lawson 1635, Julius 1501, Ashinger 1500.

Miller beat his own record by 183 miles.

NO CONFIRMATION OF REPORT.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—No official report was received at the war department today of the second resignation of General Henry's cabinet in Porto Rico and it was therefore impossible to get any official expression of opinion as to the course that would be followed by the administration in this new "ministerial crisis." The matter was very freely discussed among the army officers on duty in the department, however, and the chief comment was on the discouraging spirit showed by the Porto Ricans in endeavoring to embarrass the first governor who had tried to give them an honest administration.

THREE HUNDRED KILLED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PEKIN, Feb. 20.—A serious conflict has taken place between the Russians and Chinese at Tallen-Wan, 300 of the latter being killed.

It is said to have originated in a question of taxes.

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For Our New Range.

Having made arrangements with the best foundry in Massachusetts to manufacture a new range expressly for us, we want to start it right in life by giving it an appropriate name.

CAN YOU SUGGEST ONE?

RULES:—It must not contain more than seven letters. It must be sent in before March 1st, 1899. We reserve the right to reject all names. But if we adopt one you suggest, you shall have the $5.00. You must state in what paper you saw this advertisement, and write your full name and address. If the same name is suggested by more than one person, the one first in will get the prize. Call or send postal card to

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On or before Friday, March 3, in the Savings Department of the
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will draw interest from March 1st, at the rate per annum of 4 per cent, Compounded Semi-Annually.
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Were you in the store Saturday?

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Life enough, enthusiasm enough, sales enough to make you think it June, not February.

5000 NEW COLORED SHIRTS, MEN'S AND BOYS,'

went on sale at such ridiculous prices that the public thought us crazy—not dozens, but hundreds are selling.

MEN'S NEW COLORED SHIRTS, soft bodies,
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NEN'S LAUNDERED COLORED NEGLIGE SHIRTS, collars and cuffs on
36c., 45c.

MEN'S LAUNDERED NEGLIGE SHIRTS, 2 separate collars, 1 pair separate cuffs,
39 Cents.

BOYS' NEW COLORED SHIRTS, soft bodies,
21c., 29c., 31c., 34c.

BOYS' LAUNDERED COLORED SHIRTS, collar and cuffs on,
33 Cents.

BOYS' LAUNDERED NEGLIGE SHIRTS, 2 separate collars,
37 Cents.

Every shirt worth nearly double the price we ask for it.

PUTNAM & SON
166 Central Street.

THE SUN LATEST!

5 O'CLOCK

M. EMILE LOUBET, Elected President of the French Republic.

HIS LEG BROKEN

Edw. Laborge Assaulted in Merrimack Sq.

GREEKS FIGHT ON SATURDAY NIGHT.

One Drunk With Frozen Feet.

Edward Laborgue, aged 33 years, residing in West Fourth street was the victim of a brutal and unprovoked assault early Saturday night as a result of which he is now at St. John's hospital suffering with a broken leg and other injuries.

It appears that Laborgue, who has been ill with the grip was advised to take whiskey and quinine and accordingly called at a down town saloon and procured a pint of the liquor at the same time indulging in a few hot ones at the bar. He was about to go out well satisfied with his call when he was approached by George Fraro, aged 45 years of Prince street, who proceeded to pick a row with him. Laborgue who is a peaceable man left the saloon to avoid any trouble but had not gone far when he was overtaken by the pugnacious Fraro who dealt him a vicious blow behind the ear sending him to the ground. Before he could arise Fraro had kicked him several times on the body.

Officers Duncan and Ryan then appeared on the scene and took both men to the police station where it was learned that Laborgue's leg was broken and he was taken in the ambulance to St. John's hospital and Fraro was locked up. Neither man was intoxicated.

GREEK BATTLE.

The Greek colony was the scene of a row early Saturday evening, in which 15 or 20 Greeks participated with the usual accompaniments of knives, clubs and fists, though no serious results followed the fracas. Officers Hurley and John O'Connell got into the fight and arrested James Osmorandos, aged 28, years and Peter Choratus, aged 39 years. They were charged with disturbing the peace and were bailed out

ALLEGED SPEAK-EASY.

Liquor Inspectors Goodwin and Donaldson raided an alleged speak- easy at 493 Broadway, kept by William F. O'Brien. They procured a quantity of whiskey and beer.

HIS FOOT FROZEN.

William H. Kelly of 49 Concord st., was arrested at 7.35 o'clock Saturday night in Belvidere by Officer J. N. Welch on a charge of drunkenness. He was put in a cell and yesterday he complained of his feet which he said he had frozen while shoveling snow for the Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill Street Railway Co., during the recent storm. The city physician was called to examine him and he found that one foot was frozen badly and he was ordered taken to the city farm hospital.

OFFICER FARRINGTON OUT.

Court Officer Henry Farrington who was stricken with paralysis while on his way home from the police station three weeks ago Saturday has so far improved that he was able to be driven down to the station Saturday afternoon for a short call. He was driven out by Mr. A. P. Butman. Mr. Farrington is still very weak and it is likely to be some time before he will be in condition for duty.

RING SPINNING

MERRIMACK COMPANY MAY REMOVE ITS MULES.

Whether it is to get square with the spinners who made the trouble or not is not known, but it is said that the Merrimack mills are taking out their mules and substituting ring spinning frames, which will do away with the mule spinner. Thus the men who worked under Overseer Scoble may lose their work.

The condition of Supt. Philip J. Begley of the Lowell and Suburban Street railway is much improved.

The Pine Tree State Four will run a sleigh ride party and dance at Willow Dale Thursday evening, February 23. Hadley's orchestra will furnish music. Barges will leave Merrimack square at 7.15 p. m. A jolly good time is in store for those who attend.

BENEVOLENT WOMAN

MR. WOODS PASSED AWAY SATURDAY IN LAWRENCE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 20—Mrs. Mary Ann Wood, the donor of the Old Ladies' Home, Lawrence died Saturday at her residence, 4 Bailey street.

Mrs. Wood has been a resident of this city for a number of years, and has always been noted for her benevolence. She was especially interested in the forlorn condition of those people who like herself were swiftly descending the western slope of life and who from one cause or another lacked the tender, loving care of children to brighten their last days and make their final journey one of peace and tranquility. To relieve this condition of things was the greatest wish of her life and the beautiful home which now is fulfilling its mission of love is its outcome and the monument which she has built to perpetuate her name.

Mrs. Wood was born at Shapleigh, Me., May 18, 1821, and in that town she passed the happy years of girlhood. She was married to James Wood early in life and removed to this city with him many years ago. She was a member of the Universalist church and was active in all work connected with its various branches.

KENWOOD

A GOOD SUPPLY OF ICE FOR RESIDENTS.

Mr. Henry Varnum, owner of the old General Varnum farm on the Lawrence road is at present engaged in making extensive repairs thereon and as soon as the weather will permit, he will arrange the grounds in a style that will be a credit to the town of Dracut. His new ice house is filled with good solidified aqua which makes the Kenwood residents feel assured of a good supply next summer. Mr. Varnum has been an earnest worker and gives freely towards the proposed road to run from First street to his land at Belle Grove which earns for him many friends along the line.

BOWLING NEWS.

The Belvideres and Deweys, two teams composed of Y. M. C. I. members rolled an interesting game on the Y. M. C. I. alleys Saturday afternoon. Score:

Belvideres—Jordan 394; Kelley 454; King 452; Brophy 389; Winden 443. Total 2162.

Deweys—Murphy 431; Bagley 448; Webster 405; Duggan 443; Doyle 425. Total 2152.

VISITED THE BABY.

A party of ten friends of Mr. and Mrs. William D. Harrington visited them at their home in Moire street yesterday for the purpose of paying their respects to the young son of the family who recently made his debut upon earth. During the evening supper was served and there were songs by John F. Courtney, John Murray, and Patrick Moore and recitations by John Howith and James McQuade.

Three postponed games in the Mathews' whist tournament were played off Saturday night and resulted as follows: Harrington and Lonergan, 16; Dalley, and Quirk, 4; Hickey and Minihan, 16; Dalley and Quirk, 11; Tarrant and Reilly, 16; Nicholson and McQuade, 9. Interest is now at fever heat and there is yet two weeks of playing before it closes.

The slight cough may soon become deep-seated and hard to cure. Do not let it settle on the lungs.

Think! Has there been consumption in your family?

Scott's Emulsion is Cod-liver oil with hypophosphites. These are the best remedies for a cough.

Scott's Emulsion has saved thousands who, neglecting the cough, would have drifted on until past hope. It warms, soothes, strengthens and invigorates.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Lively Meeting Yesterday Afternoon Favored Parade

BUT CHIEF MARSHAL NOT CHOSEN.

Meeting Again Postponed Till Next Sunday.

The adjourned meeting of the St. Patrick's day convention took place yesterday afternoon in the Mathew Temperance Institute hall for the purpose of making arrangements for a St. Patrick's day parade in accordance with the sentiment of a convention held two weeks ago at which it was decided, by vote, that a parade should be held. The convention yesterday afternoon was a very lively one and all the parliamentary ability of the chairman, John J. Mullaney, was necessary to control it. The convention adjourned until two o'clock next Sunday afternoon. Several motions had been made to adjourn during the session but were as often defeated. It was finally successfully made by Mr. James E. Greeley and seconded by Mr. Muldoon of the Mathews.

The Lowell Irish Benevolents did not have any delegates present. The societies represented were: A. O. H., five divisions, Mathew Temperance Institute, Burkes, Y. M. C. I. and the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church.

The question in regard to chief marshal was laid over until Sunday afternoon. There were two named for the office, Mr. McKinley of the Y. M. C. I., Belvidere, and Undertaker Chas. H. Molloy. The name of Officer John Hickson was not mentioned although a number of the delegates are his supporters.

The convention was called to order about 3 o'clock by Mr. Mullaney and in the absence of the secretary of the last convention, John J. Lynch, who arrived shortly after the convention opened, Mr. Joseph Murphy was appointed secretary pro tem. The records of the convention of two weeks ago were not read till the arrival of the secretary of that convention.

Mr. McDermott of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church said that the society had voted at their last meeting not to take any part in the convention or parade.

There were several remarks from A. O. H. delegates regarding the retirement of the Holy Name Society.

Daniel Shea of the A. O. H., said: "The A. O. H. is for a parade and the others ought to be. They must be either one thing or the other; they cannot be all the colors of the rainbow." Mr. Shea was ruled out of order just as he was warming to the question.

A committee of three was appointed to ascertain how many of the societies were represented at the convention and recess was taken until the return of the committee and the reading of their findings. The motion was made that the election of chief marshal be proceeded with. The motion was seconded but met with considerable opposition. Two or three of the societies, including the Mathews, said that they could not take any part in the election of a chief marshal because they did not know whether or not their societies would sanction their act. They deemed it advisable to have the election of chief marshal postponed until at least next Wednesday night and they would be ready at that time to tell how their societies stood on the matter. There was a motion made to this effect but it was not carried.

Mr. Daniel Shea was again heard from and he proceeded to discuss the parade. He was asked by the chair to confine himself to the question, and he replied that he was discussing the question.

The secretary had now arrived and the reports of the last convention were read and accepted. Some one then made a motion that the holding of the parade be reconsidered. The motion was seconded, but did not become a vote.

Mr. Gallagher thought that the motion to reconsider was a just one, for he was sure there was not the right interest manifested to make a success of a parade. He said there were 70 delegates present two weeks ago and only 60 at the present convention. Continuing, he said: "If there is to be a celebration it should be a good one. I do not think that the societies at present are in a position to stand the expense of a parade."

Mr. Sullivan did not think reconsideration was the proper way to get at it. He suggested that the delegates be called upon for the purpose of ascertaining what the societies had done and he hoped that the delegates would have manhood enough about them to stand by what they did at the last convention.

Mr. Horan of the A.O.H. wanted a little information as to how the convention was being governed, and he suggested that it be ruled by the conditions set forth in Cushing's manual. The chair, however, satisfied Mr. Horan that the convention was being conducted with all the formality set forth in that manual.

The chairman, Mr. Mullaney, left the chair for a few moments and was substituted by another member of the Mathews. Mr. Mullaney's desire to get on the floor was to straighten out a matter that appeared to be bothering the convention, and it was in regard to the last motion that had been made, that of reconsideration. Some of the delegates present appeared to think that it was the appointment of a chief marshal that the motion to reconsider affected. Mr. Mullaney made the point clear.

Mr. Shea was again heard from. He said that he had heard this cry of poverty before, but there was nothing in it. "It is lack of patriotism," said Mr. Shea. Some one offered a substitute motion that the question of parade be laid on the table until the first Sunday in January, 1900. The motion was seconded but not carried.

The motion to reconsider action on the parade question was made, then seconded and finally became a vote. The vote was taken by the uplifting of hands and the result was 29 to 23 in favor of reconsideration.

Mr. Shea moved, and the motion was seconded, that St. Patrick's day be celebrated by parade. This motion was made after the chair had explained that the convention was in the same position exactly as they were previous to the convention of two weeks ago, as far as the parade was concerned.

The vote was taken by the secretary calling the roll and the delegates answering thereto with the following result:

Irish Benevolents, none present.
Division 1, A. O. H., 1 for, none against.
Division 2, A. O. H., 2 for, 4 against.
Division 11, A. O. H., 7 for, none against.
Division 28, 4 for, 2 against.
Division 8, 7 for, none against.
Mathew Temperance Institute, none for, 7 against.
Burkes, none for, 7 against.
Y. M. C. I., 7 for, none against.
Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church, none for, 7 against.
Total, 28 for, 27 against.

The vote was doubted and another vote resulted in an increase of one in favor of the parade.

Thomas Muldoon of the Mathews was not in favor of the parade on account of the financial condition of the societies, not that he wanted to antagonize, but if there was a parade the 17th of March the Mathews would not be slow in contributing.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I., said he was in favor of a parade if for nothing more than out of respect for the wishes of their fathers, whose fond desire it was to carry and wear the green in parade.

Mr. McDermott of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's church, said, that personally he was in favor of a parade, but that he thought it would be very unfair of him to say anything in favor of the parade just now, as the sentiment of the delegates was too much divided.

After an exchange of motions and airing of opinions that the mallet of the chairman failed to suppress, the motion for the election of a chief marshal was before the house, and Mr. Muldoon moved to have it laid over for one year.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I., said that Mr. Muldoon was out of order and that the parade was to take place in 1899, and in order to carry it out a chief marshal must be elected. The chair declared that the motion for postponement of election of chief marshal was ruled out and that he (the chairman) would have to leave the chair, as the Mathews, of which he was a delegate, would not have anything to do with the election of a chief marshal at this time and that he could not remain in the position of chairman and be one of a number of delegates opposed to business on hand.

Different ones were nominated to act in the capacity of chairman, but they all refused to serve and several of the delegates insisted upon Mr. Mullaney continuing in the position as he had proven himself an impartial and efficient chairman. Mr. Mullaney reluctantly consented to keep the position. Mr. Muldoon moved to adjourn until Wednesday night. The motion was seconded and the delegates were asked to vote by the raising of hands and the motion was defeated.

Mr. O'Brien of the Y. M. C. I. nominated Mr. Edward A. McKinley of the Y. M. C. I. for chief marshal and he was closely followed by the nomination of Mr. C. H. Molloy, by a delegate of the A. O. H.

Mr. James Greeley made the motion at this point, to adjourn until next Sunday afternoon, and the motion became a vote.

The parade men were not at all satisfied with the result and they said they looked upon the motion as an attempt to side-track the carrying out of parade arrangements. It is expected that the meeting next Sunday afternoon will be a lively one.

"AUNT JERUSHA."

"Aunt Jerusha" who is an amiable, amusing character, will introduce herself and her Sure Cure at the new Music hall tonight for three nights and Wednesday matinee commencing tonight. She will appear with a family of fifteen members who are able to aid her in entertaining play-goers and a cordial reception no doubt awaits her here.

Those who appreciate merit on the stage will find material for admiration. "Aunt Jerusha" is a musical comedy. Miss Jennie Wetmore, a clever character actress, will appear in the title role. The piece was constructed to amuse and it has found favor wherever presented. It is in three acts, the scenes of which are laid on the New Jersey coast. The piece is equipped with a competent cast and is entitled to generous consideration from local playgoers, as singing and dancing specialties, grand special scenery, the celebrated Ritter Rool Farm Rube quartette and the great shipwreck scene in the first act make it the greatest of all New England plays.

HARRY S. CORNISH

WHOSE NAME IS CONNECTED WITH N. Y. POISONING CASE KNOWN IN LOWELL.

Harry S. Cornish who is one of the principals in the notorious New York poisoning case is well known by a number of Lowell sportsmen. On July 2, 1892, there was an important meet in this city between the B. A. A. and the L. C. A. A. and Mr. Cornish acted in the capacity of handicapper for those events. Among those in this city who will remember the part that Cornish took in this meet are Hon. Charles D. Palmer, Fisher H. Pearson, Patrolman Matt McCann, Dr. C. E. Snyder, Thomas H. Kelley, Dr. Arthur H. McCann, veterinary surgeon and others.

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ANARCHY REIGNS

In Paris Since Loubet's Election.

THE FRIENDS OF EMPIRE CAUSE RIOTS.

Cavalry Unable to Suppress the Riots.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Feb. 20—Paris is in a state of siege.

The anti-Loubet demonstrations were resumed tonight with greater spirit and better organization than last night.

Traffic along the boulevard is stopped. Cavalry with drawn swords are clearing the streets.

Augmented bodies of police are capturing all stragglers from the wandering mobs.

The poorly lighted side streets present scenes of the greatest hubbub and confusion.

I have seen half a dozen English men and women driven to the shelter of private houses. One pair was pursued with shouts of "English scoundrels" as the door closed behind them.

Cries of "Panama," "Vive Loubet," "Spit on Loubet," "Revision," "Vive L'Armee," and "Down with Hebrews" filled the air.

There was a hum of voices from the opera corner to near Porte St. Denis, and everywhere animation and terror.

All the anti-revision papers today violently assail the new president, shrieking for his instant resignation.

Deroulede and his followers are planning a disturbance at tomorrow's meeting of the chamber of deputies.

The friends of empire are actively plotting the overthrow of the republic.

POLICE COURT

TWENTY-SIX DRUNKS BEFORE JUDGE HADLEY TODAY

An unusually large crowd was in police court this morning. Not only was the dock and female prisoners' seats in front of the dock filled but also the witnesses' sets in the court room. There were twenty-six drunks to greet Judge Hadley. John C. White, Margaret Cavanaugh, William Harris and Bridget Hunt were each fined $3.

Daniel F. Sullivan, Ellen Hardy, John Donovan, David Rowe, William C. Sullivan, William E. Gilman and Louis Mullinch, all Sunday drunks were fined $5 each.

Peter Choratos and James Courmandos for drunkenness were each fined $2, and for disturbing the peace were each fined $5

Joseph Tulley and Thomas Fahey were each sentenced to the state farm at Bridgewater. The latter appealed and was ordered in $200 to the Superior Court.

Joseph A. Burtt, for drunkenness, an old offender was sentenced to three months in the workhouse.

Jos. E. Fitzgerald for drunkenness and assault was sentenced to eight months in jail.

George Faro charged with assault on Edward Laborgue had his case continued, the complainant being at St. John's hospital with a broken leg as a result of the assault.

Eugene Gauthier was charged with larceny, two counts, the complainant being Oscar Durand and Joseph Merim, both of Billerica. He was ordered in $200 until next Saturday for trial.

Lizzie Clark a third offender, drunkness was sentenced six months in jail. The remaining drunks, all first cases were each fined $1 and released by court.

Mary Dubias, a continued case, for larceny had probable cause found against her and was ordered in $200 to the superior court.

BRISK BLAZE.

IN THE EAGLE BLOCK ON MIDDLESEX STREET.

A still alarm at 6.20 o'clock Saturday night called the fire apparatus to the Eagle block in Middlesex street where a brisk blaze caused by the dropping of a lighted lamp, was under way. The woman who occupied the room lost about $100 worth of furniture and clothing and the building was damaged about $20 or $25 it being necessary to rip the plastering from one of the partitions in order to get at the fire which had worked between the lathing.

Edward P. Buckley and George Colbeck of St. Johnsbury, Vt., were the guests of Miss Maude Moody and the Misses Twohey during the past week.

"The Thorn Comes Forth With Point Forward."

The thorn point of disease is an ache or pain. But the blood is the feeder of the whole body. Purify it with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Kidneys, liver and stomach will at once respond? No thorn in this point.

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Rheumatism—"Myself and a friend both suffered from severe attacks of rheumatism. Hood's Sarsaparilla cured both. We would not be without it." WM. H. LESTER, 65 Leonard St., Fall River, Mass.

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PIANO
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CHARLES J. GLIDDEN, Who is Now Known as the Telephone King of New England.

APPROPRIATIONS

THE COMMITTEE HELD ITS FINAL MEETING SATURDAY.

The committee on appropriations held its final meeting on Saturday night, and remained in session until 10.30 o'clock. Andrew G. Swapp, chairman of the school board, appeared before the committee to explain the items of the school estimate and Councilman Saunders spoke in opposition to giving the amount previously voted, and asked the chairman many questions. The report was signed later by all the members, although Mr. Saunders said that he did not wish it to be understood that he agreed with the amount recommended for schools. It was voted not to give out the report until it is presented to the city council. It is the same as previously outlined, with a few minor changes.

DEATHS.

STILLINGS—Joseph A. Stillings died Saturday at his late home, 22 C street, aged 53 years. Deceased leaves his widow, one sister, Mrs. E. Thompson of Wolfboro', N. H., and four brothers, Rufus of Dover, N. H., James of Wolfboro, N. H., and Frank and Charles of Ossipee, N. H. Funeral tomorrow afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

BURT—Charles H. Burt of the firm of C. E. Foss & Co., died at his home, 99 South Loring street, yesterday morning, aged 59 years and 9 months. He leaves a wife and two daughters, Mrs. H. S. Greenwood and Mrs. B. W. Clements.

FRYE—Marshall Frye, an old resident of the city and father of Dr. Charles M. Frye, died yesterday at the home of his son, 82 Dover street, aged 82 years, 6 months. Mr. Frye came to this city in 1867 and was greatly beloved by all who knew him. Besides his son, he leaves a stepdaughter, Mrs. M. L. Hamblet and a wide circle of friends to mourn his loss.

TOTMAN—Mr. Stark Totman whose death was briefly mentioned in Saturday's Sun was at the time of his demise residing in Roxbury. He was born in Woodstock, Vt., 76 years ago. For some time after coming to Lowell he was associated in business with Mr. S. T. Lancaster in the tailoring establishment at the corner of Central and Hurd streets. In the year 1870, he entered into partnership with Mr. C. I. Hood in the drug business and was a member of the firm until October, 1876, when Mr. Hood bought out his interest. Mr. Totman left Lowell soon afterward. The deceased was a widower and he leaves no family. Funeral services were held at his home in Roxbury yesterday afternoon and burial was in this city this afternoon.

O'CONNELL—James O'Connell, aged 58 years, a veteran of the civil war, died Saturday afternoon at his home, 158 Colburn street. He leaves a widow, five sons and a daughter; also a sister, Mrs. Patrick Meade. The funeral took place this morning and services were held at St. Patrick's church. Rev. Timothy Callahan celebrated the mass and the choir rendered the Schmidt requiem. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery and the bearers were James Duffy, Michael Mullen, John Gallagher, Daniel Murphy, Patrick Crowley and Thomas Tully. Undertaker O'Donnell had charge.

PATTERSON—John B. Patterson, aged 42 years, died Saturday night at his home, 53 Kinsman street.

MUELLER—Andrew Mueller, aged 48 years, died Saturday at his home, 139 Shawmut avenue, Boston. He was a brother of George Mueller of J. F. O'Donnell's, this city. Funeral services were held this morning at Holy Trinity church and burial was in the Calvary cemetery.

KEARNEY—Agnes J., daughter of James and Agnes Kearney, died Saturday night at 15 Reed court, off Lakeview avenue, her parents home. She was six years and the loss to the bereaved parents is made greater by the fact that the little one had been ill but a short time and death was most unexpected. The funeral was held this afternoon and burial was in the Catholic cemetery in charge of Undertaker Molloy.

MELLEN—James P., infant son of Lawrence and Annie Mellen, died last night at his parents' home, 87 Summer street. The funeral took place this afternoon and interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

McGRADE—William, infant son of James and Annie McGrade died yesterday, 770 Central street. Interment was day afternoon at the home of his parents in the Catholic cemetery.

COMMITTED SUICIDE

LAWRENCE WOMAN DESPONDENT AND INHALED CHLOROFORM.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

LAWRENCE, Feb. 20.—Mrs. Lizzie M. Daley, who conducted a boarding house at 400 Canal street committed suicide yesterday afternoon by inhaling chloroform. The act was committed some time early in the afternoon but it was not discovered until about four o'clock. Mrs. Daley was the widow of Andrew Daley, well known here years ago as a caterer. She had conducted the boarding house on Canal street for several years. She had been in poor health for some time and was at times despondent. The discovery of the suicide was made by her son. Mrs. Daley went to her room soon after dinner yesterday. When her son entered the room a few hours later he noticed a pungent odor of chloroform. His worst fears were realized when he attempted to arouse his mother. Medical Examiner Howe was notified and he viewed the remains. Mrs. Daley was 62 years of age and is survived by two sons, Elmer, clerk at the Franklin House, Lawrence, and John A., of Andover.

FUNERALS.

DANE—The funeral of the late Lucy B. Dane took place yesterday afternoon from her late home in Billerica Centre. Among the large attendance at the funeral exercises were delegations of the Daughters of Rebekahs and of the G. A. R. Women's Relief Corps. Services were impressively conducted by Rev. M. O. Simonds and there was singing of appropriate hymns by the choir of the Baptist church of Billerica. There were many beautiful floral tributes including a broken lyre from the Rebekahs; a broken wreath and sickle from the Women's Relief Corps; a large star of narcissus, hyacinths, pinks and roses from Mrs. F. H. Parker; spray of roses, Mrs. S. Tucker and Mr. H. Baldwin. There was a large profusion of other floral tributes surrounding the casket in which reposed the bodies of both the mother and infant child, the mother having died in child-birth.

Burial was in the Edson cemetery, Lowell, and the pall-bearers were: Messrs. Charles Parker, A. P. Read, A. Hubbard and C. F. Morey.

TOES FROZEN.

William H. Kelley was taken to the city farm Saturday night in the ambulance as his toes were frozen.

Miss Inez F. Williamson, formerly employed at the manufactory of Otis Allen & Son, for some years, has accepted a position in Boston where she will be employed as court reporter.

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THE "AUTO-TRUCK

Compressed Air as Motive Power for Trucks.

DAWN OF THE HORSELESS AGE.

True men Say it Cannot Replace Horses.

Millions of people in New York and other large cities,—but especially in New York, are interested in a machine to which the name of "auto-truck" has been given. The question is whether the compressed air-motor to be used in propelling the truck will drive horses from the streets, so far as heavy traffic is concerned, or whether the truckmen now in business will prove correct in their assertion that no motor can equal the horse with its muscle directed by intelligence in dragging heavy loads through metropolitan thoroughfares. There are about seventeen thousand truckmen in New York city alone who make a living under the present system. They are universally or almost universally opposed to a change; but their opposition would, of course, stand no more in the way of the "auto-truck" than hostility of the stage-coach owners to railways. If the compressed air-motor should prove to be practical and beneficial. An interesting feature of the truck controversy is that prominent politicians in New York and Washington are acting with, and interested in the "auto-truck" and that the compressed air motor has behind it that powerful political motor called "Tammany Hall." Notwithstanding formal denials, there is ground for believing also that the New York or Manhattan Elevated Railway interests are in alliance with the "auto-truck" and as the Brooklyn Elevated Railways seem likely to come under the control of Ex-Governor Flower, the surface road magnate, it is evident that the field of the compressed air motor is vast and promising, and there may be millions in it for all interested.

A reporter was specially detailed to get the inner facts regarding the "auto-truck." As the information comes mainly from those who have a financial interest in the project, it may, perhaps, hold out too sanguine a prospect for the innovation. The purpose of the reporter has been to get facts and present them clearly and succinctly to the readers; there is no doubt that much that is valuable in throwing light upon the subject is here published for the first time.

A corporation has been formed entitled the New York Auto-Truck company, with a capital of ten million dollars, that promises to control the trucking business of New York and other cities. Trucks are in process of construction. They will be owned by the company and none will be sold. These trucks will be run for twenty-five miles with one charge of compressed air, at a minimum cost of one cent per mile.

The list of those chiefly interested in the New York Auto-Truck company includes Richard Croker, Senator Arthur P. Gorman, Joseph H. Hoadley, Nathan Straus, Lewis Nixon and Robert McKinstrey. It is a companion concern to the International Air-Power company, which has a capital of seven million dollars, and which will, when fully prepared, devote itself to constructing the trucks. The latter company has the exclusive right in all the patents throughout the world, which the American Air-Power company formerly owned, except the street car rights of North and South America, which the American Air-Power company still holds. Joseph H. Hoadley is one of the organizers of this company. The patents to be used by the New York Auto-Truck company are controlled by Joseph Leiter of Chicago.

The men interested in the International Air-Power company are Joseph H. Hoadley, William Knight, H. E. Knight, and Robert I. McKinstrey of New York and Edward F. Glenn of Philadelphia. Ex-District Attorney Graham of Philadelphia is counsel of the International Air-Power company, and Judge Augustus Van Wyck, the defeated democratic candidate for governor of New York, is counsel of the New York Auto-Truck company.

THE AUTO-TRUCK VERSUS THE HORSE.

Other "auto-truck" companies have been formed through the country—the Philadelphia Auto-Truck company with a capital of ten million dollars; the Chicago Auto-Truck company with a capital of ten million dollars; and the Denver and St. Louis Auto-Truck company with a capital of five million dollars. Eventually these companies may form a trust, with a combined capital of thirty-five million dollars, in an endeavor to drive small truckmen out of business. The truckmen laugh at this suggestion and profess to believe the "auto-truck" to be impracticable. They argue that, the motor being in the rear, it will be impossible to turn even a light truck off a car track, when it is once there, and they point out other numerous advantages of the horse over inanimate power.

Power stations will be built at various points throughout the city. A system of pipes connecting with these stations will be laid beneath the streets. These pipes will connect with hydrants similar in appearance to water-hydrants. A truck, will stop, make connections, and in two minutes, will be replenished with compressed air. The conduits beneath the streets will be ordinary iron pipes, two and one-half inches in diameter, while the pipe which supplies the air to the truck will be about one-half to an inch in diameter. Together with these may be laid two other pipes, one for water and the other for steam, for purposes yet to be explained.

The air bottles or tanks, varying in number according to the size of the truck, are placed beneath the floor, between two axles. These air-reservoirs are seamless steel bottles. An average truck requires nine of these bottles, placed in the manner shown in the accompanying picture of a heavy yard truck. In a wagon truck these reservoirs are fewer than in the yard truck higher from the ground and out of all danger of being damaged. The motor is iron-clad, and rests in the middle, on the rear-axle, and is driven in the middle by means of the gear. This does away with the side rods of the old-style air-motor, prevents indirect swaying and is considered a great improvement.

HOW THE POWER IS APPLIED.

A heavy truck has a heater under the center of the floor, which consists of a seamless steel flask charged with hot water under a pressure of from one hundred and fifty to three hundred pounds per square inch heated by steam at the same time the air reservoirs are being filled at the charging stations en route. A pipe leads from the air-reservoirs to a combined reducing and throttle valve, which lessens the storage pressure to the working power. But before the pipe reaches the reducing valve, it passes several times around the heater, so that the air can receive heat to prevent the freezing of any moisture that may be in it.

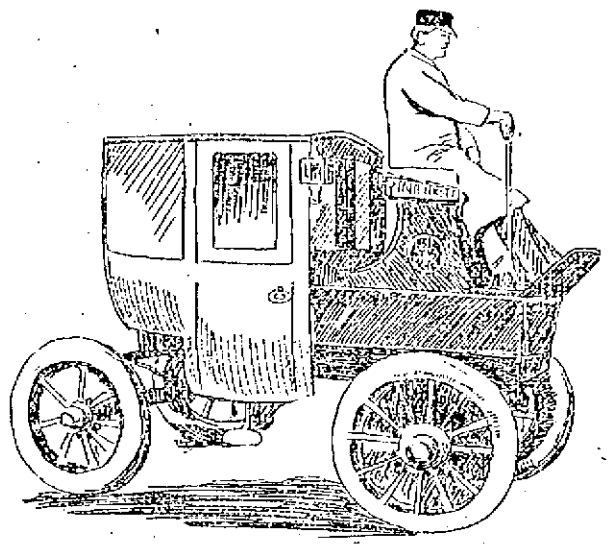
When the air is reduced to about three hundred and twenty pounds of pressure per square inch, it passes through a coiled pipe placed in the reheater, which raises the temperature of the air, causes it to expand, and naturally increases its working capacity. Again before this air goes into the high pressure cylinder, hot water is injected into it by the opening of automatic valves. A part of this water is instantly vaporized and takes the place of the steam already used in the working cylinders. After leaving the high-pressure cylinders, the air is again warmed by causing it to flow through pipes in the hot water heater. Again hot water is sprayed into the pipes containing the air, before the latter passes to the low-pressure cylinder. In this, it is found that the results of reheating are slight in comparison with those in the high pressure cylinder. So perfect yet simple, is the mechanism throughout, that the vales respond instantly to their requirements. There is also a hand valve, in the same pipe as the automatic water valve, that enables the amount of water to be adjusted as may be thought expedient.

NO EXPOSED MACHINERY.

One of the many advantages of the Hoadley-Knight motor over the old-style air-motors is that there is no exposed machinery. All of the moving parts of the motor proper run in a cast iron box, or casing, which is partly filled with oil. They are thereby continuously lubricating themselves. With this system, oil cups are unnecessary.

After a careful estimate, it has been found that during service, about thirty five per cent. of the indicated power of the compressor is delivered at the axle in driving the motor and of the total amount stored, about one-half is available in the motors. If it were not for the reheater, this would be reduced by at least fifty per cent. It has been proven by tests that the cost of re-heating is about one-fifth of the cost of compressing the air.

The "auto-truck" is absolutely under the control of the motorman, who sits comfortably on an ordinary wagon seat. The steering apparatus is similar to that of the yard truck,—two horizontal wheels, one below the other. The upper wheel is the controller. On the "auto-trucks" the controlling and steering apparatus will have the appearance of that on an auto-mobile carriage. The motor is controlled by varying the cut-off, also by the throttle, the two being operated simultaneously. A forward movement of the single controller starts the truck, and the propelling force is proportional to the distance it is moved from the starting point, so that any degree of quickness can be obtained. A backward movement to the starting point brings the valve to a minimum cut-off, and closes the throttle; while a still further backward movement reverses the motor and opens the throttle to back the truck. No brakes are required and the truck can be brought to a standstill at a moment's notice. Thus, it starts and stops with greater promptness than any former invention of motor power. It is claimed that, while a horse finds it difficult to draw a load of two tons, the "auto-truck" will move easily along with five times asserted that the "auto-truck" can turn that load at the rate of eight miles an hour to a horse's four miles. It is also almost in its own tracks.



The Auto-Truck, Driven By Compressed Air-Motor, Which is Common in New York.

RECEPTION NOTICE.

The reception to Teacher Coughlin postponed from February 13th, will be held at High school hall on Wednesday evening next, February 22nd, at 8 o'clock.

You are cordially invited with friends to be present.

Very truly,
P. Keyes, Jr.,
For the Committee.

Cedar Rapids Gazette—Massachusetts promoters propose to organize a trust for the control of the sale of writing paper. The alphabet will remain free to the use of the people until such time as some company gets a patent thereon. It will be necessary to corner the correspondence of the people by some more comprehensive means than a trust in paper. They will be able to write with shoe polish and keep even with the game.

COULD NOT SLEEP.

Mrs. Pinkham Relieved Her of All Her Troubles.

Mrs. MADGE BAUCOCK, 176 Second St., Grand Rapids, Mich., had ovarian trouble with its attendant aches and pains, now she is well. Here are her own words:

"Your Vegetable Compound has made me feel like a new person. Before I began taking it I was all run down, felt tired and sleepy most of the time, had pains in my back and side, and such terrible headaches all the time, and could not sleep well nights. I also had ovarian trouble. Through the advice of a friend I began the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and since taking it all troubles have gone. My monthly sickness used to be so painful, but have not had the slightest pain since taking your medicine. I cannot praise your Vegetable Compound too much. My husband and friends see such a change in me. I look so much better and have some color in my face."

Mrs. Pinkham invites women who are ill to write to her at Lynn, Mass., for advice, which is freely offered.

Old People

Need Something to Help Them Preserve Their Waning Vitality.

With Advanced Years Great Care and Caution are Necessary.

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This Great Tonic Reconstructor Aids Digestion, and Gives to the Feeble Renewed Vigor.

We Guarantee to Aged People that Vinol will enable them to regain Strength.

Try this Scientific Rebuilder, and see if what we claim for it is not so.

If you are not thoroughly satisfied with the action of Vinol, we will return your money.

When any one has reached an age where they are on the downward path of life, something should be given to help Nature husband the declining strength. Old people frequently resort to stimulants for this purpose. Stimulants are useful sometimes in cases of the most extreme weakness, but there is always that awful after-effect.

What is needed more particularly is a tonic that brings renewed vigor, and one that directly aids in the creation of new and healthy tissue. The one tonic above all others that will do this, and do it surely, is Vinol, Wine of Cod Liver Oil. Vinol, by its favorable action upon the stomach, enables this organ to obtain the proper nourishment from the food to make new and healthy flesh, rich, pure blood, and sound muscles.

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MR. F. H. STORY, 240A School Street, Somerville, Mass., says: "I had been confined to the house most of the winter. My doctor recommended that I should try Vinol. Let me say right here that Vinol is all right as far as taste and smell goes. So pleasant did Vinol taste that I could not conceive how it would do any one any good. It has done me good, however. I am now gaining flesh, and eat and sleep as a well man should. I feel like a boy again. Your Vinol deserves good luck."

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Tramp Assaulted a Lowell Man.

THE LATTER USED AXE WITH GOOD EFFECT.

The Intruder's Intent Was Robbery.

Peter Trainor, a former resident of Lowell, but now of Holliston, was murderously attacked at his home in the latter place Friday afternoon by an unknown tramp. The tramp entered Mr. Trainor's kitchen and stealing up behind the latter dealt him a heavy blow over the head with a shovel. Although Mr. Trainor was temporarily stunned by the blow but he recovered shortly. Meanwhile, the tramp believing him to be unconscious made his way through the apartments of the dwelling and was about to proceed from the house when Mr. Trainor who had seized an axe, struck him in the head with the weapon, felling him to the ground where he lay with the blood flowing in a stream from an ugly wound.

Mr. Trainor then went to notify the authorities and when he returned the tramp had disappeared. By blood-stains on the snow he was tracked to the woods where the trail was lost. The Holliston police are searching the neighborhood for a clue to the whereabouts of the man.

FUNERALS.

DUDLEY—The funeral of the late Aroline Dudley took place Saturday afternoon from the residence of Mr. Geo. Chase of 19 Lincoln street, Saturday afternoon and was very largely attended. Services were impressively conducted by Rev. C. L. Merriam, pastor of the Highland Congregational church and there were renditions of very appropriate hymns. The interment was in the School street cemetery and the pall bearers were Messrs. William Landers, William Prescott, Albert Dearth and A. Dana.

PRESTON—The funeral of the late Alonzo K. Preston took place Saturday afternoon from the establishment of C. M. Young & Co., Rev. R. A. Greene officiating. The interment was in the Grand Army lot in the Lowell cemetery.

BURKE—Funeral services over the remains of the late Edmund Burke were held yesterday afternoon at St. Peter's church. The church was thronged with friends and relatives of the deceased who also followed the remains to the Catholic cemetery. Rev. Fr. Mullin officiated at the church and the choir rendered vocal selections. On the entry of the sorrowful procession to the church, Mr. James E. Donnelly rendered "No Cross, No Crown" and Miss Louise McLaughlin sang "Angels Ever Bright and Fair," as the body was being removed from the church. At the grave Rev. Fr. Mullin officiated. The bearers were Patrick Mooney, Richard Welch, Terrence Cox, Arthur Brett, James Hood and George Burke. The floral tributes were: Pillow resting on base, the love token of the bereaved sisters of deceased. On the pillow was inscribed the word "Brother." Standing wreath inscribed "Farewell" suspended from mammoth base, Miss Lillian Farley; cross on base with inscription "Eddie" Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Donovan; twenty-two roses, Miss Helen Burke of Boston, a sister of deceased; spray of roses, Mr. Arthur Brett; spray of pinks, Mr. Patrick Mooney; spray of roses, Donovan family; spray of pinks and roses, Miss Jennie Logan; spray of roses, Mr. and Mrs. Van Hise. Undertaker Savage directed the funeral.

MOONEY—The funeral of Mrs. Ann Mooney of Evergreen street, Chelmsford, took place yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from her home. The bearers were Charles Anderson, John Norton, John McCaffrey, and Michael Flynn. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery in Lowell in charge of Undertaker Savage.

GODDARD—The funeral of Caroline Goddard took place Saturday afternoon from the home of her parents, Charles R. and Blanche, 30 Marlborough street, Rev. W. A. Bartlett officiated and Miss Hathaway sang. Burial was in the Edson cemetery.

McNAUGHTON—The funeral of Walter B. McNaughton took place yesterday at his home in North Chelmsford and Rev. Robert Dunbar conducted the services. Undertaker Young had charge of the arrangements and the bearers were Charles, F. A., and J. R. Carkin and James Wotton. George Elliott and Walter Brown. The burial was in Tyngsboro.

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Is the only preparation that will restore the hair to its original healthfulness.

—AT ALL DRUGGISTS—

DAWSON—Maurice R. Dawson, infant son of George B. and Marion J. Dawson, died Saturday at the home of his parents, 49 Coburn avenue. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, Rev. D. A. MacPhie officiating. Interment was in the Edson cemetery.

JEWETT—The funeral of Miss Emma L. Jewett took place Saturday afternoon from the home of her sister, Mrs. George H. Morse, Eighth street, Rev. L. C. Manchester officiated and there was singing by a male quartette. The bearers were: Mr. Marcellus Greenwood, Mr. J. W. Wilson, Mr. Lewis Worthley and Mr. Frank H. Adams. Interment was in the Lowell cemetery.

DEERING—Funeral services for Mrs. Sarah Deering were conducted yesterday at her late home, No. 36 Cosgrove street, by Rev. C. W. Huntington J. B. Currier had charge of the funeral arrangements and burial was in the No. 2 burying ground.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO AN APPEAL.

In reply to an appeal for assistance to the Lowell General Hospital, the following contributions have been received:

Patten & Roberts	$ 5.00
J. W. Huntoon	10.00
Geo. F. Stiles	5.00
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C. I. W. Maynard	5.00
George Stevens	10.00
George G. Read	5.00
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Frederick D. Burbeck	5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Larkin T. Trull	25.00
E. H. Adams	5.00
Charles F. Blanchard	5.00
Mrs. George Runels	10.00
Mrs. Annie E. Sherman	5.00
Adelbert Ames	5.00
Henry G. Cushing	5.00
E. T. Rowell	20.00
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5 Days' Sale of Floor Coverings, Beginning Tuesday Morning at 8 O'Clock.

This gigantic sacrifice which we propose to make this week on CARPETS, MATTINGS, LINOLEUMS and RUGS, will be on what is known to the trade as dropped styles, surplus stock, short lengths and odds and ends which we want to dispose of prior to the completion of alterations now going on in our Carpet Room. No need of further comment. Come and see the values.

CARPETS.

20 rolls of Lowell and Philadelphia Ingrain Carpets, positively worth 65 to 75c,

Price this week 47 1-2c per yard

50 rolls of best 10 wire Tapestry, including Roxbury, Sanford & Smith's best productions; these are positively 85c grades,

Price this week, 65c per yard

36 rolls best 9 wire Tapestry Carpets that sold regularly for 75c,

Price for this week 55c per yard

30 rolls of Smith's Best Moquette Carpets, our regular $1.25 grade; these are dropped styles only.

Price for this week, 90c per yard

LINOLEUMS.

27 rolls of Nairne best Linoleums in very choice colorings; sold always $1.00 per yard,

Price for this week, 79c per yard

Sampson's Best Oil Cloths, usually sold at 50c,

Special price this week, 39c per yard

MATTINGS.

60 rolls of fine China Jointless Matting, sold to date 30c,

Price this week 20c per yard

45 rolls of fine Cotton Warp Matting, sold to date at 35c,

Price this week, 25c per yard

A BARGAIN IN RUGS.

3 bales of fine Wool Smyrna Rugs, sold to date at $2.50,

Price for this week $1.98

A Special 20 per cent. Discount on all our Upholstery Goods for 5 Days. In conjunction with the floor covering sale we have decided to offer our entire stock of Drapery and Upholstery, consisting of Lace Curtains, Portieres, Fringes, Nets, Silkolene Plushes, Velours, Cretonnes, Denims, etc., at a bonafide discount of 20 per cent from regular prices for 5 days only.

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Simply when we guarantee a shoe we stand back of it. We mean what we say. All goods sold by us, if not proven as per our guarantee, we will gladly give new goods. Always pleased to show goods whether you buy or not.

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Beef 6 to 10 cents per pound.
Rumps 10 to 14 cents per pound.
Sirloin Roast 10 to 16 cents per pound.
First Cut Roast 10 to 13 cents per pound.
Fine Roast 5 to 8 cents per pound.
Roast Pork 8 cents per pound.
Fresh Shoulders 7 cents per pound.
Northern Ham, small, 8 to 12 pounds, 10 cents.
Northern Ham, large, 9 cents.
Northern Ham, smoked shoulders, 7 cents.
Legs Lamb, 12 cents pound.
Hind Quarters, 10 cents pound.
Fore Quarters, 8 cents pound.
Salt Rile, 5 cents pound, 6 lbs. 25 cents.
Diamond Medal Flour $4.75.
Diamond Medal Bags 60 cents.
20 pounds of Sugar $1.00 with tea and coffee. Don't be misled, come and see for yourself.

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You may not agree with THE SUN on all questions, but if you take the trouble to look into its circulation, you will agree that you cannot afford to be out of its columns if you advertise at all.

THE SUN has a larger circulation than any two other papers in Lowell, and it is the cheapest advertising medium in this city on the basis of actual circulation. It's

LOWELL'S GREATEST NEWSPAPER.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENTERPRISE.

With a no-license year at hand, there is a great opportunity for the liquor merchants of Lowell to branch out into some other business. Lowell has long been distressed by the fact that she had to depend mainly upon the textile industry. When that became depressed and no industry is more susceptible to the fluctuations of business—the entire city was affected. When hard times came, Lowell suffered more than any city that had a variety of industries and so it is with all such cities. The textile industry is the most sensitive and precarious in the country, and it behooves the city of Lowell to depend upon it only as little as possible. The competition of the southern mills in handicapping the north, and the shorter hours here weighs something also in the scale of comparison between the north and south. The time is not far distant when Lowell will have to look to some other industry than that carried on in our cotton and woolen mills.

Now that $4 men of prominence are getting out of a business in which they can never avoid the unpleasant thought that their profits are drawn mainly from the hard earnings foolishly spent of the toilers in our workshops and factories. To some men this thought must be very disagreeable. Besides there are other disagreeable features about the business, not the least being its uncertainty, that should render it less desirable than it appears to be with those engaged in it. Of late years with the added restrictions it is absolutely impossible to comply with the law in every respect and at the same time do a paying business. With all these disadvantages, it is strange if so many men will live idly for a year with the hope of getting a chance to re-enter the business should the city return to license. In the first place they are, not by any means certain that the city will return to license, and in the second place, no man, unless he has a pull with the syndicate, is sure that he will get a license. Under such circumstances would it not be best for as many as possible of the liquor dealers to branch into some other business. Times are looking better and many fields are open to enterprise with a fair prospect of success. There is plenty of room for shoe shops, furniture factories, clothing factories, electric works; there is not only room but there is need for a first class hotel; there is opportunity to make money in the manufacture of bicycles and auto-mobile carriages, as well as a thousand other things, which will readily suggest themselves to shrewd business men. There is an opportunity for the profitable investment of capital in homes for the working people in the suburbs, so as to afford as many as possible a fair share of God's pure air and healthful surroundings. If the liquor dealers who will go out of business on May 1st, want to benefit themselves and the city they should branch out into some new and creditable enterprise.

AGAINST MUNICIPAL CORRUPTION.

Throughout the country there is an outcry against municipal corruption, and it is charged that it is largely due to the failure of the business men to perform their full political duties. It is alleged that they fail to attend the caucuses that they let the nominations go by default and leave the selection of candidates to the operatives. Then when election day comes, they are unable to right the wrong that has been done. In New England cities, there has been a tendency to bring the men who practice corruption to prompt account. In Lowell there have been several sentences and at present the former head of the lands and buildings department is under indictment for a crooked transaction. In Lawrence city officials have been prosecuted for dishonesty and in Haverhill aldermen have been sent to jail, while similar cases might be cited in almost every other city in the state. In Boston at present a trial is in progress arising from alleged frauds in the street department while there are undoubtedly others equally culpable that have escaped notice. If the citizens maintain vigilance that may be necessary to detect corruption and punish the guilty parties, they will have taken the first step to stamp out dishonesty in municipal government. A great deal of course can be done by improving the system so that there will not be such an opportunity for the practice of dishonesty in the various departments. In this regard it might be stated that the resolution introduced by Councilman O'Brien to have a list of the employes of the street departments, the amount of their earnings and the work performed published every year is commendable. It would be a check upon the department which would be useful to the citizens in general. Still, it appears that the republicans are not ready to favor such a scheme and the citizens are wondering why.

A MUNICIPAL STORE.

The city of Rochester, N. Y., has an economical method of relieving its poor. It has a municipal storehouse which secures all the necessary supplies at wholesale prices and thus avoids the custom of giving orders on stores at retail prices. Before the applicants receive aid at this store they must certify that they do not own a bicycle. A few restrictions of this kind prevent the free distribution of relief to undeserving applicants. In some cities the applicants have been known to call daily for their allowance and ride off with their parcels on a bicycle. In the city of Waterbury, Ct., an applicant for relief spent the dollar given him in renewing the license on his dog and yet this was more excusable than spending the money in drink as many do. It is such cases that cause the deserving cases to be subjected to unnecessary scrutiny before relief is granted. The present purchasing agent would be just the man to start up such a store in Lowell, although if it could not be run more economically than the woodyard it would not be a paying investment.

With the war tax and the high tariff the revenue for the year shows a large deficit and there is talk of a bond issue. It might be supposed that the war tax would suffice to meet all expenditures, but with the increased demands upon the government there must be more money. The investigating commissions come high, and we have got to have them to whitewash the incompetents, and blacken and defame the only men of ability connected with the war department. If this be so with our small army, what would be the condition if we had a standing army of 100,000?

CURRENT COMMENT.

Boston Traveler—For six years' gallant service as rear admiral in the United States navy George Dewey will receive $26,000. During a six years' vacation granted him by McKinley as "punishment" Eagan will receive $33,000. Who will say that republics are ungrateful?

Manchester Union—A court martial at Washington has sentenced a private soldier for some trivial offence to two months at hard labor with partial loss of pay. The commissary general, for blackguarding the senior major general, gets six years' vacation on full pay. But the private doesn't happen to be a friend of Alger.

Cohoes Dispatch—The genuine American patriots imbued with the proper spirit of liberty cannot consistently exult as they read of the subjugation of the insurgents in Manila whose purpose is evidently to fight as was that of Washington and the continental army 123 years ago. Every true American should hang his head in shame as he realizes that greed and selfishness have secured the mastery over patriotism in the boasted land of the free and the home of the brave.

Atchison Globe—Have you remarked how important the army and navy are of late? Have you remarked how much time they take up in congress? Have you remarked how high they rank in the appropriation bills? This is the way it goes in the old countries which are ruled by the army and navy. America has always been a particularly desirable place to live in because the plain people were superior to the army and navy. The foolish expansion policy is changing all this in addition to costing us more money than we can afford.

A rumor was afloat in Fall River Saturday to the effect that the licensed liquor dealers who have been paying large sums for permits had entered complaints against the dives which do a big business on Sundays, and that as a result there would soon be a new order of things in that city.

New spring hats have made their appearance.

The man who didn't clean his sidewalk off ought to be ——, well, ask yourself when you fall down.

Eczema.

Mr. H. T. Shobe, 2704 Lucas Ave., St. Louis, Mo., says: "My daughter had Eczema, which covered her head and spread to her face. She was treated by physicians and taken to celebrated health springs, but only grew worse. Many patent medicines were taken, but without result, until we decided to try S. S. S. A dozen bottles cured her completely and left her skin perfectly smooth. Not a sign of the dreadful disease has ever returned."

S.S.S. For The Blood

(Swift's Specific) is the only cure for Eczema, and all other obstinate blood diseases. Valuable books mailed free by Swift Specific Company, Atlanta, Ga.

LITERARY GOSSIP.

Among the books just published by the Macmillan company is one by Gamaliel Bradford, entitled, "The Lesson of Popular Government." It is a constructive and critical attempt to show that not only does the trend of events tend to show that democracy is a form of government that will remain, but that in spite of its apparent defects it is the best form of government that has so far developed. Another book that promises to prove interesting to students of political economy is "The Development of English Thought" by Prof. S. N. Patten. The purpose of this book is to bring out the connection between the economic events that determine a nation's prosperity and the thought and feelings of the people.

The annual summary number of the "Publishers' Weekly," gives some interesting statistics regarding books published last year from which we cull the following. In the United States no less than 4,886 titles appeared, of which 4,332 were of new books and 554 new editions. It would seem that American authors are becoming less prolific, for they wrote only 2908 books as against 3,318 in 1897. In England there were published last year 6908 new books and 1508 new editions. In France the number of books published during 1898 reached the surprising total of 14,781 or nearly one-fifth more than in both England and the United States together.

"How Count Tolstoi Lives and Works," by S. Sergyeenko has been translated from the Russian by Isabel F. Hapgood for Thomas Y. Crowell & Co. The work is fully illustrated.

SOMETHING OF THE MAN CYRANO

Given a historical personage or period, the more noteworthy the better, a fair knowledge of whichever may be selected as subject, a good imagination not necessarily too scrupulous as to fact and a flowing pen, and you have all the elements necessary for the making of the so-called historical novel. This species of story is almost sure to possess a certain interest; it borrows it if we may say so, from the characters portrayed. From the standpoint of the novelist, it does not particularly matter how faithfully these characters are painted or what words may be put in their mouths. His work is to secure and hold the attention of the reader, and he is not necessarily required to confine himself strictly to fact. In just this lies the chief objection to dressing history in the garb of fiction, and it often becomes a very serious one, so serious as to raise the question whether the historical novel is not in fact of decidedly baneful influence. It may, often does, convey inaccurate information create wrong impressions, and thus confuse the reader in a way that is anything but to his advantage.

Through Rostand's play, which after almost monopolizing the stage, has now found its way into the courts, a quite general interest has been aroused in Cyrano de Bergerac. We know something of what this man left to succeeding generations, but just what he himself was and how he lived we know little except that he was born about 1620 and died in 1655, had an unusually prominent nose, a quick wit and temper, knew how to handle his blade with rare skill and was always ready to use it. His intellect was keen, his opinions pronounced, his beliefs radical. His writings were of the same character. Moliere may have borrowed from them and some say that "Swift's Travels" in Cyrano's "Comic History of the States of the Moon." This is about all we really have regarding the unique Savinien Cyrano de Bergerac.

Availing himself of the present interest in this man, M. Gallet has taken such meagre facts as exist and about them built the story we have before us. It is likely enough to be true and may be so accepted in the absence of anything to the contrary. And in this particular case it does not make any very material difference if the author has drawn freely upon his imagination to fill in the many gaps. We notice he has Cyrano fighting a duel over his famous tragedy, "Agrippine" whereas the playright's close friend, Lebret, asserts that he never fought a duel on account of any personal quarrel. However this may be, the author has produced an interesting easy story, full of exciting incident and well calculated to leave a good impression of its subject.

FALLING PRICES AND THE REMEDY.

The heart of the people always rises to the hour and the man. The present hour of financial anxiety certainly has the heart as well as the ear of the nation. The man coming into view as the exponent of it is Lyman F. George, the author of the lively treatise on a subject hitherto treated dismally, but now set forth, unanswerable and irresistible, in a book entitled "Falling Prices and the Remedy."

Mr. George enters the lists of discussion with a noble and chivalrous spirit, armed and equipped with patient and exhaustive study of his subject, and with an abundance of quotations from the highest authorities. He clearly shows that the cries of "overproduction," "improved machinery," "unrestricted immigration," "want of confidence," "department stores," "tariffs and free-trade" are all efforts and not causes of the hard times, and when not utered by the sophistor or scoundrel, are but the chatter of the ignorant and misinformed. He distinctly and impressively points out the cause of falling prices, and then stirringly appeals to the large army of the producers of our national wealth—the farmers, the merchants, the manufacturers, the wage-earners—to unite their forces in a mighty protest, and demand at the polls the remedy. The inertia of indolent and passive non-resistance, so fatal to the reception of truth and the unanswerable depth of moral emotion in the nation should be broken and stirred by the magic of Mr. George's enthusiasm and the common-sense of his argument.

Taking his stand on the indisputable ground that we can no more resist or bend to our purpose a natural law than we can construct a star or create a mote in a sunbeam, Mr. George proceeds to demonstrate the inevitable and imperious relation existing between the demand and supply of that which measures the value and regulates the price of all commodities to be thus measured and priced; or, in other words, the relation existing between product on the one hand and the necessary amount of legal tender money to move and exchange it on the other. He argues that the standard of price determines the standard of wage, since all wage is derived from profit; and when profit disappears, capital withdraws from the venture. Therefore, he claims, a generous profit insures a generous wage. He shows, what every one must admit, that for thirty years business has been conducted in this country on a falling market; and he affirms that the cause of this is that during this time the parity of exchange between merchandise and money has not been kept stable. The man holding the merchandise has suffered a notable and irretrievable loss in converting his merchandise into cash. Therefore, demands Mr. George, as our population and productivity have largely increased during the past thirty years, why not add to the circulating medium a corresponding amount necessary to meet that increase?

"So we have!" cries the strident voice of the money trust and the adepts in the art of darkening things that are clear to the open mind,—"So we have! The banks are full of money; there are heaps of idle capital lying all round, waiting good opportunities for investment; but the anarchist repudiators of the West frighten the honest-money investors of the East, who are shocked at such lack of honor in fulfilling solemn promises, and they refuse to let out their money for fear that they will lose their well-merited interest and perhaps their principal.

To this Mr. George would reply "that the money said to be in the banks is not really there;" that "deposits" are not necessarily money; that a bank may have a large show of "deposits" on hand, and at the same time have very little, if any, actual money (that is gold)—as was the case with Shugerly's bank in Philadelphia when it failed, all its gold having been looted by the gold trust, and shipped to Russia's and Germany's war chests. Moreover, this money "in the banks" is not, as a rule, available to a general business man who has debts to pay and no collateral to offer with his note except his merchandise in stock. It it money in circulation which is needed to quicken business and stimulate prices, not money in hoarding—money of a kind which cannot be traded in and cornered and shipped off to Europe. How can seven billions of loans and discounts be liquidated with a few millions of money? Yet the business men of this country hesitate to demand of the government a circulation commensurate with a thirty-five years increase in population and trade. Instead of having as much as we had then—namely over two billions in active circulation and that with only thirty-two millions of people—we have today only twelve per cent. per capita of what we had then and our standard of price tables. With Europe buying of us seven million seven hundred thousand bales of cotton while we consume less than three; with Europe dependent on our production of wheat, corn and iron—why should we not be able to sell all this to her at a price which will amply remunerate our oppressed toilers who produce it? This matter of price is always regulated, so say the highest authorities by the amount of legal tender money in circulation. This is the greatest and most efficient weapon which can be wielded by any nation.

This power of legal tender, declares Mr. George, belongs to the people, to the merchants, the farmers, the labor organizations. When they clearly understand its subtle efficiency in shaping and controlling social conditions between the producing and non-producing classes when they comprehend and utilize it, then the plutocracy, the usurers, drones and idle fatteners on the results of other men's labors will have found their Waterloo and a realizing sense of what the decree "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread" means.

In seeking to give our readers a distinct idea of Mr. George's remedy for falling prices we can do no better than lay before them the following brief extracts from his book. On Page 118 he says:

"Since volume and not the material gives or takes from the purchasing power of a dollar and upon this all stand agreed, and as expansion makes the dollar cheap and contraction makes hwQrfonojhatsoolnzifiswtwallgtt thh it dear the volume of the currency must be adjusted to the population or to the plain exigencies of the actual business of the country."

On Page 119, he says: "The corrective remedy, therefore for the fall of prices and a consequent depression in business is to increase the volume of money, until prices advance to that point for labor and material where a sufficiency of it will be left in the consumers' hands to enable them to relieve the market of accumulated goods."

SMALL POX

IS CAUSING A GREAT SCARE IN SKOWHEGAN.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SKOWHEGAN, Me., Feb. 20.—The smallpox scare, while dying out in Waterville, is just beginning to be appreciated here. During the past few days, it is estimated that at least 700 persons have been vaccinated.

Postmaster Gould has written to Washington for permission to have all mail matter from Waterville fumigated before it is handled here.

Yesterday it was rumored that a French woman living on North avenue had the disease but two physicians who investigated the case say it is erysipelas.

Dr. Spencer of Waterville, who recently accepted a call to the Bethany church here, was to have preached yesterday, but the board of health did not deem it wise and as a result there was no service. Neither was there any at the First Baptist church.

The board of health is taking every precaution possible to prevent the disease from gaining a foothold here and is doing its best to discourage all public gatherings. It has been decided to stop assemblages of crowds at the railroad station and in the lobby of the post office and this rule will take effect at once. The citizens as a general thing, are badly frightened.

HONORABLY DISCHARGED

ARTHUR S. COBURN RETURNS AFTER NINE MONTHS' NAVAL SERVICE.

Arthur S. Coburn of Oak street who enlisted in the navy nine months ago, has returned to Lowell having received his honorable discharge at Norfolk. Mr. Coburn enlisted for one year as a second class machinist and had the misfortune not to see any active service, as the term goes: for the service was active work all the time and had to be as conscientiously performed after the cessation of hostilities as before.

The U. S. S. Southery, a collier and supply ship on which he has been serving, has gone out of commission, and all the one-year men received their discharges. They constituted the larger part of the crew and only three reenlisted, although the government would have received them all for there were other ships in port that needed additions to their crews.

The Southery was for a long time off the coast of Cuba and carried supplies into Santiago harbor. She made one trip to Porto Rico. Upon the arrival in Norfolk, the fires were allowed to go out and the men all caught cold, for the weather was very cold. Otherwise Mr. Coburn is in fine condition. His discharge shows a very good rating. He was marked 4 8-10 out of a possible 5. He is very glad to return to New England and to Lowell.

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TELEPHONE BILL

Boston Post's Fight for Cheaper Rates.

IS NOW BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE.

State Supervision of Telephone Companies.

The Boston Post is making a great fight in behalf of its telephone bill now before the legislature. The bill has received the endorsement of many boards of trade throughout the country and the support of thousands of petitioners. Its aim is to bring about lower rates by state supervision of the telephone business. The full text of the bill is as follows:

AN ACT

Relative to Changes and Service of Companies Engaged in Telephone Business in this Commonwealth:

Be it enacted by the senate and the house of representatives in general court assembled and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. All matters relating to the rates and service of companies engaged in the telephone business shall be under the supervision and control of the board of gas and electric light commissioners. And said board shall have full power to recommend such change in the telephone rates and service as the public interest may require and to inspect and examine the books, records and accounts of said companies, and to summon witnesses and send for persons and papers at such hearings as may be had before them. And said board shall have the same rights and powers in the premises as it now possesses in reference to similar complaints brought before it regarding gas and electric light companies except as otherwise provided in this act. And no increase in the rates of said companies shall be made without previous approval from said board.

Section 2. Upon the complaint in writing to said board by the mayor of any city or the selectmen of any town in which a telephone company is located or doing business within the limits of the commonwealth or by twenty customers of any telephone company in respect of the prices charged by said company for the use of telephone instruments or for messages sent by telephone or of the quality of the service rendered by such company, the said board shall notify the company of such complaint by leaving a copy thereof at the office of the company and shall thereupon after such notice as the board may deem proper give a public hearing or hearings to such petitioner or petitioners, and after said hearing or hearings may make such recommendations as the board deems just and proper concerning any refund in the service rendered by said company for the use of telephone instruments or for messages sent by telephone or relating to any improvement that the board deems just and proper in the service rendered by said company and said board shall recommend such further action in the premises as may seem just and proper to said board. The jurisdiction of said board hereby given shall extend to and embrace the prices charged by one telephone company to another telephone company as well as prices charged by any telephone company to any city, town or private customer.

Section 33. Every telephone corporation shall at all times upon request, furnish to said board any information required by it concerning the condition, management and operation of its business and particularly copies of all leases, contracts and agreements with subscribers or other telephone corporations or otherwise to which it is a party, and also with rates, charges and other facilities afforded to the public.

Section 4.—The said board shall in its annual report to the legislature include reference to all proceedings that have taken place under the provisions of this act during the period covered by its said report together with such suggestions as to the condition of affairs or the prices charged by telephone companies or the service rendered by such company as the said board may deem appropriate.

MANUFACTURING NEWS

H. C. Perham, treasurer of the Kitson Machine Co., Lowell, accompanied by Mrs. Perham left Boston last week for a trip to southern California to be absent until some time in April.

A. S. Scovil, treasurer of the Tremont and Suffolk mills in Lowell, in company with Timothy Renick, the well known cotton waste dealer of Boston, left last week for a trip around the world. They expect to be absent until July 1 or perhaps later.

Mr. George Gilman of the Lowell Machine Shop, Lowell, Mass., has accepted the position of general foreman of the American Bolt Co.

Mr. C. E. Dow, formerly of the Metallic Drawing Roll Co., Indian Orchard but for the past few years, general manager of the American Bolt Co., Lowell, has resigned that position.

Quarterly dividends have been declared by the following Fall River mills Border City Manufacturing Company, per cent., same as last year; Mechanics' mills 1 per cent.

The New Bedford Poultry association expects to enroll 60 or 70 members by the end of the winter. A fall show will be held. Isn't it about time to hold a poultry show in Lowell?

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Lowell, Feb. 13, 1899.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.
State House, Boston, Feb. 18, 1899.
The Committee on Railroads will give a hearing to parties interested in a bill declaring all persons, companies, and corporations owning or operating sleeping cars, common carriers, at Room No. 446 State House, on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 1899, at 11.30 o'clock a. m.
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THE SUN EXTRA! 6 O'CLOCK

FOR MANSLAUGHTER

The Hearing on the Conroy Shooting Fatality.

Before Judge Hadley in Court This Morning—Details of the Sad Affair Told by Witnesses—Dr. Meigs Displays the Bullet Found in the Man's Head—Mrs. Blennerhassett Held for Grand Jury.

The preliminary hearing in the case of Mrs. Letitia Blennerhasset of North Billerica charged with manslaughter in causing the death of Arthur Conroy by shooting him was held in the police court this morning after the regular session.

Mrs. Blennerhasset was in court early accompanied by her father, James Adams, her brother, Thomas G. Adams, and her counsel Walter S. Leighton, Esq. She was neatly attired and was perfectly composed.

The government witnesses sworn were Dr. J. V. Meigs, Constable Martin Conway Jr., of Billerica, Photographer Westcott, James Adams, father of the defendant, Lawrence Cummings and several others.

The first witness called was Dr. Meigs who as associate medical examiner viewed the remains, testified to the nature of the wound which caused Conroy's death produced the fatal bullet extracted from the victim's head and described the appearance of the body.

"The pistol shot which caused the wound," he continued, "must have been in close contact to the window for the gauze curtain in the window was scorched.

Cross-examined by Lawyer Leighton he described the bullet hole in the window and reiterated his statement to the effect that the pistol was placed in close contact to the glass.

Officer Martin Conway, Jr., testified: "Upon hearing of the case I went to the house and found Conroy lying on the piazza with his feet almost on the threshold and his head on the step. Mrs. Blenerhasset told me that she was waked up about 11.30 or 12 o'clock by some one trying to get in. She heard voices and thought two or three men were there.

"She said she heard them say the bolt was easy and she got her pistol and went into the sitting room and fired two shots through the door. The noises continued," she said, "and then she went out in the entry and fired one shot and heard a body fall. She said she thought she had stunned one of them.

Then she said she went back and put two more cartridges in her pistol and sat in the dark until morning. She said she was too frightened to call to them to go away and when I asked her she said she didn't go out front to see if she knew him. She said she went to her father's house at 6.30 and told him that she had shot someone and he went around and found the body.

"I then telephoned for the medical examiner. When I asked her about the time she said it was 1.30 o'clock when she woke up but later she told me that it might have been 11.30 o'clock. She told me that she had been bothered by tramps in the day time."

Constable Conway then illustrated his descriptions by means of several photographs.

On cross-examination he said: "When I went to the house I found Mrs. Blennerhasset and her father in the sitting room. When the father told who I was she told me the whole story. The house faces east and the sun would strike the front of the house first and might strike the glass in the front door. I think there was no frost on the front window.

"Mrs. Blennerhasset told me that she thought the intruders were in the entry and that was why she fired through the door. She said she thought she heard one of the men say the bolt was easy and she thought he was trying to hammer in the door.

"Conroy's position showed that he was opposite the door knob when he fell. He was about 5 feet 3 inches tall and the bullet hole in the glass was 4 feet, 35-100 inches above the piazza.

"I knew Conroy to be a man who drank considerable. He had a habit of getting drunk in Lowell and then going home. He talked to himself when drunk. He was never violent, and I never had any occasion to arrest him. He would always go home when I told him to."

On redirect examination Constable Conway produced the revolver which Mrs. Blennerhasset claimed to have used, together with the bullets and shells that were in it.

James B. Adams, father of the defendant was the next witness and his testimony was as follows:

"About 6.30 o'clock on that morning my daughter came into my house, much excited saying: 'I think I shot a man.' I said what did you do that for,' and she said: 'There were two of them trying to get in.' I went to the front of the house and found the body. I notified Constable Conway and that's all I know about it.

"I was shocked at what happened and didn't pay much attention to what she said to the officer. I have lived there for the last 10 years and my daughter came there some time last summer."

Cross-examined, he said: "There were catches on the windows and some of them were nailed."

Conductor Lewis of the North Billerica line was next called and he testified: "Conroy rode out with me on the 10.30 car. He got off at the stone house about 10.50 o'clock. On my way back I saw him just a little this side of the stone house. He had moved only about 20 feet."

On cross-examination he said: "Conway had been drinking that night. I stopped to let a lady get out and he got out too. He had moved 20 feet toward Billerica. Conroy ran after the car the second time and when we stopped he asked me for five cents to get a ride. I told him there were no more cars and told him not to lie down. I had my doubts about his ability to get to Billerica that night."

Orson Miner who lives about 200 yds. from the stone house said: "A man called at his house between 11 and 12 o'clock but he couldn't swear that the man was Conroy."

Mr. Leighton argued that Conroy was not too drunk to know what he was doing and that he had received sufficient warning by the firing of the two shots. He quoted cases of justifiable homicide where the circumstances appeared to him similar. She waited a sufficient length of time and the endurance shown that she believed there were two persons there and the windows were so locked to render it impossible to open them to see who was at the door. Under the law of defense she was justified in protecting her house and children.

Judge Hadley said: "The body of the man is found at the door of Mrs. Blumnerhasset's house, a bullet having been fired from within the house. There is a homicide. Then comes her explanation. The law puts itself in the place of the person under charge. The only question here is whether there is evidence sufficient to show that she took due care before shooting. If he had been crawling in at the window she would perhaps be justified fully in the act. But suppose a person had gone to the door from her father's who had been ill though in that case perhaps they might have called to her and allayed her fears. I think, however, that the matter is a proper one to go before the grand jury and so order her."

Mrs. Blennerhasset was held in $1500 for the grand jury.

"I got out of bed," said Mr. Miner on cross-examination, "and when I got to the door the stranger said: "——— let me in.' I went to my wife and told her I was going to let him in as it was a very cold night. I live about two rods on the Lowell side of Mrs. Blennerhasset's.

Lawrence Cummings, newspaper reporter testified: "I went to Mrs. Blennerhasset's house betwen 10 and 11 o'clock on the morning of February 11. I saw the body lying on the piazza with the feet against the front door. A bullet hole was in the glass about the center of the door. I spoke with Mrs. Blennerhasset. I told her I was a newspaper reporter and I have my doubts as to whether I should testify or not. She partly gave me her confidence and if I were not a reporter I wouldn't have been there."

"If you didn't offer her any inducements your testimony is competent," said the court.

Mr. Cummings began his testimony that was interrupted by the court who inquired if his testimony was accumulative. Mr. Cummings reported affirmatively. His testimony differed from Mr. Conway's in that she told witness news she could not remember what time of night it was and that she had not been bothered by tramps.

This ended the government's case and Lawyer Leighton then called for the defendant's release from custody on the ground that the case is one of justifiable homicide.

THE KHEDIVE'S HEIR.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ALEXANDRIA, Feb. 20.—The Khedivah has given birth to a son at Montazah. There are great rejoicings at the fact that the Khedive has now an heir to the throne.

CITY HALL NOTES.

Today the mayor and superintendent of Buildings Doherty went to Boston to visit the state building department in regard to the matter of exits from Huntington hall. They also paid another visit to General Manager Tuttle of the Boston and Maine railroad in regard to the same business. The problem is still bothering the city officials and Architect Gardner is very busy devising plans to conform to the law as a matter of safety in case of fires. The mayor has no doubt that it is the desire of the railroad authorities to do away with the Merrimack street depot but he could not tell what the result of the conference would be. If it was found that an exit could not be obtained where it was desired and an effort would have to be made to cut through Dutton street side there was no question as to the law and he hoped that the state building authorities would give some aid and light in the matter.

MUCH SMALL-POX

Prevails Throughout United States.

SO SAY REPORTS FROM MARINE HOSPITAL.

The Disease is Disappearing From Maine.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WATERVILLE, Me., Feb. 20—Official reports from the Marine hospital bureau which is regarded as medical authority on eruptive diseases makes the statement that over one-third of the states in the union are afflicted with small pox epidemic, likewise the disease is in a very mild form and all patients are miraculously escaping death. A precaution is vaccination.

Waterville and Winslow have the small pox epidemic well in hand, report the health officers. No new cases of suspects have been found within three days. Dr. L. G. Bunker of the Board of Health, Health Officer Dr. F. C. Thayer and Pres. Smith of the state board of health state the scare effecting outsiders in the past is without cause at the present. No one is likely to escape quarantine, all patients are in the best of condition and the epidemic has every appearance of passing away without fatality.

The Lockwood mills resumed operations this morning and all other industries are running upon full time. The schools will be opened Monday February 27th.

SMALL POX DISAPPEARING.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WINSLOW, Me., Feb. 20.—Appearances are favorable for a complete cure of small-pox within seven days in this place, as three days have passed without even a suspect case, while those ill with the small pox are so far recovered as to be up and about the house. These facts the health officers desire the Associated Press to announce as the true condition of affairs, that the public may realize the countless stories circulated of deaths, spreading of the disease and public danger are wholly without foundation.

LOUBET STANDS FOR TRUTH.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PARIS, Feb. 20.—According to the Figaro, President Loubet is surprised at the hostility of which he is the object and has said:

"No one has a right to say that I am a Dreyfusist or an anti-Dreyfusist. I am with a majority of the nation, for truth, supported by justice."

FIRE CAUSED HEAVY LOSS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 20—A midnight fire originated in the linotype rooms of the German Gazette and Evening Telegram building and gutted the structure. The paper warehouse of C. Petercamp and the Platt Grocery were also damaged, mostly by water. The loss will reach $60,000; about half covered by insurance.

DR. STEVENSON DEAD

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BLOOMINGTON, Ill., Feb. 20—Samuel H. Stevenson, D. D. one of the oldest Presbyterian ministers in the United States, is dead in this city at the age of 86. He was a near relative of former Vice President Stevenson. He was born in Iredella county, North Carolina, and was educated at Centre College, Danville, Ky.

REPUBLICANS ACTIVE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

MADRID, Feb. 20—The republicans in the chamber have decided to begin at once an energetic campaign against the government.

THE WEATHER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity: Fair tonight and vicinity: Fair tonight and Tuesday; continued warm; southwest to west winds.

NINE YEARS' SENTENCE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

EASTON, Pa., Feb. 20.—Professor Stephens who was convicted on Saturday of setting fire to Pardee Hall, Lafayette college, was today sentenced by Judge Scott to serve nine years in prison.

CRETAN CHAMBERS OPENED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

CANEA, Crete, Feb. 20.—The Cretan chambers were opened today by Prince George, the high commissioners of the powers, who received a warm greeting. A bill embodying the Cretan constitution was submitted.

GIMM PROBABLY DRUGGED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 20.—The trainer and other friends of Gimm, who retired in the six days' bicycle race after leading the procession of riders for over three days, claim that he must have been drugged. They assert that his collapse was too sudden to have been due to natural causes.

After the long race was concluded, Harry Elkes defeated J. Eaton in a five mile paced race, his time being 9.52.

ITALIAN BARK ASHORE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NASSAU, N. P., Feb. 20.—The Italian bark Barba Luigi, Captain Scotto from Pensacola on February 1st for Genoa, went ashore on February 14th on the little Exuma bank and proved a total loss. The captain and eight of the crew have arrived here. Three of the crew were drowned and two died as the result of exposure to the weather.

AGONCILLO IN NEW YORK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Senor Agoncillo, the Filipino delegate, arrived here today from Montreal. Agoncillo expects to sail for England on Wednesday next. He was asked whether he intended to continue his mission in England and answered that perhaps he would do so but that he did not care to say much on the subject.

THE CUBAN FUND

For the Payment of Cuban Soldiers,

HAS CAUSED NO LITTLE TROUBLE.

Efforts Made to Get a Big Loan.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Efforts are making with every prospect of success to reconcile the radical element among the Cubans to the proposition of the United States government to pay soldiers of the Cuban cause $3,000,000. This is expected to be accomplished through a rather sweeping authorization by the United States government for the incurment of a considerable loan to make good the deficiency between the sum the United States agrees to pay to the troops and the sum the Cuban leaders believe to be the smallest that can be paid with benefit and with due regard to justice. So far the proposition has not taken official shape here but the administration has been quietly sounded by the Cuban contingent who have expressed gratification at the prospects. General Gomez himself is expected to broach the plan formally when he begins his conference with General Brooke in Havana.

ALBERT HEYSLER

DIED FROM EFFECTS OF POISON HE TOOK.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

ROCKLAND, Me., Feb. 20.—Albert Heysler, the murderer of his wife and stepdaughter, died at 10.30 Saturday night at his home in Birkettville from the effects of the Paris green he had taken with suicidal intent. He never rallied from his unconscious condition and passed into eternity without a word of atonement for his double crime.

LOSS OF $300,000

CAUSED BY THE FIRE IN PORT WASHINGTON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PORT WASHINGTON, Wis., Feb. 20.—Last night's fire which totally destroyed the plant of the Wisconsin Chair company, covering three blocks and laying waste three additional squares, was finally brought under control this morning. The loss to the chair company will be about $300,000 fully covered by insurance. The loss to other property will amount to about $50,000 partially covered by insurance. The chair company gave employment to about 600 men. The fire started in the engineering department.

Engineer Kuckle of the chair department is missing and it is feared that he was burned to death.

PRESS OFFICERS

PARIS NEWSPAPERMEN RECEIVE HEAVY SENTENCES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

GRENOBLE, France, Feb. 20.—Max Regis, the former mayor of Algiers and editor of the Anti-Jul. has been sentenced in default to three years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 1000 francs for "press offences and glorifying murder and pillage at meetings in Algiers and Paris."

M. Philippe, managing director of the same paper, has been sentenced to eight years' imprisonment and to pay a fine of 100 francs on the same charges.

PENSION CHANGES.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The following pension changes, resulting from the issue of February 6th, are announced:

Massachusetts.

Original—Parley W. Graves, Millbury, $8; Thomas Hunter, Cambridge, $8; Daniel Darnes, Needham, $8; Francis Desham, East Saugus, $8.

Reissue and Increase—Thaddeus Churchill, Boston, $8 to $12.

Spanish war widow—Eliza D. Riley, Boston, $12.

OPENING PRICES IMPROVED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WALL STREET, 11 a. m.—Opening prices were largely improved in some instances but in other cases losses followed their inability to absorb the immense realizations invited by the rise. Special influences were responsible for the sensational movements in the high priced specialties, the rise in tobacco to 166 1-2, reflecting the uneasiness of the short interest. Metropolitan worked up to about 250, but was very feverish. Standard shares fell off from the best but good support was evident in the Flower specialties and minor railroad shares. Central Pacific and Southern Pacific were conspicuously weak. Business was on a tremendous scale with the distribution extensive.

INTER-COLLEGIATE ASSOCIATION

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 20.—President James M. McNee of the intercollegiate athletic association, today announced that he had called a meeting of the association's executive board to be held at the Fifth avenue hotel in New York on Saturday, February 25th. The meeting, it is said, will be an important one. Yale's representative will be Captain Fisher of the Athletic team and Assistant Manager J. D. Dana.

WILLIAM FINN KILLED.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BOSTON, Feb. 20.—William Finn, a South Boston teamster, was killed this morning by being struck on the head with a casting which fell from the third story in an elevator well at 40 Chauncy street. He died as he was being placed in an ambulance.

HER LEG BROKEN.

A young daughter of David Vincent broke her leg this morning while playing near her home in Kimball street.

The five o'clock edition of The Sun is on sale at the Union station news stand in Boston.

WEATHER'S FREAK

Sudden Thaw Brings Out Fair Sex.

LIFE RESTORED TO MERRIMACK SQUARE.

Heavy Trucking Greatly Interfered With.

For the few who were going that way yesterday was a gorgeous day overhead but for the thousands who are still on earth, there was much suffering and dismay, for underfoot all was mushy and slushy. Still it was a grand day atmospherically, perhaps too warm for comfort and heavy clothing, but there have been worse days and within recall.

It is the weather and some of its conspicuous results of which I write, for on the first good day after a big storm there is invariably a great outpouring of people after several days' confinement in the house and with the crowds out there is always much to interest one on the street.

To begin with, Merrimack Square was crowded Saturday with the fair sex, shopping and gossiping, and from three o'clock until six the square was one great bunch of loveliness. The fair ones had not been out of the house for several days and there was much to be told to friends and acquaintances who happened along.

I know this, for two of the fair creatures of my acquaintance wanting some excuse to stand at the corner and gossip hit upon me as a good excuse and stopped and talked about everyone but myself.

Short skirts, the rainy day, or as the newsboys have it, the sloppy weather variety were much in evidence and most genteely did the women without them criticize and "knock" their more fortunate sisters. Judging from appearances about one woman in every five wearing the short skirts escapes without adverse criticism, as I learned by a fifteen minutes' loaf in the square.

"Say, get onto this coming in the short skirt. Isn't she a fright?" whispered one to her companion as a long, gaunt female of certain years, more years than certain, came along with a skirt that was more short than rainy weather.

"P'm! She ought to put a little sugar on her shoes to coax that down," answered her friend.

"It'll make a good petticoat in the spring," added the first.

Then a plump little woman with too much avoirdupois for her slender underpinnings came along and I only listened to hear one of the critics whisper: "Why, the idea! And ankle braces so cheap!" Then I saw Officer Crowley coming along and I moved.

The fair day demonstrated the fact that Lawrence had been dug out, for the Lawrence cars unloaded many visitors in town during the afternoon including genial Nick Cahill, the starter for the Lowell, Lawrence & Haverhill road at the Essex street jumping-off place. Nick was accompanied by his friend, Mr. Holihan, a prosperous wine merchant of Spicketville, a good fellow to see at any time, though particularly after May 1. When Nick sized up Merrimack Square he immediately offered to swap jobs with Starter Lees with a substantial bonus on the side.

On Wednesday the street and railroad shovellers were hustling to clear the square of snow in order to make travel easy. It may soon be necessary for them to shovel it back again in order to make travel easy.

One of the worst places in the city Friday for teaming was on Market street on that much discussed and equally damned canal bridge. Here there was slush almost a foot deep but with no icy foundation. Every heavy sleigh or pung that got in it had the greatest difficulty in passing over it. A heavily loaded wood pung owned by Daniel Gage, and with four horses attached became stuck on the bridge and it remained stuck for fully an hour despite the efforts of the four horses and about 20 brawny men and the suggestions of the several hundred who gathered around to watch it and give advice. The poor horses tugged hard but the pung wouldn't budge an inch and Mr. Gage who was present toward the finish and much excited, suggested unloading the pung on the sidewalk, and carting it off when the pung had been dragged off the bare place. But Officer Holland, sizing up the load, couldn't see it that way, and luckily for Mr. Gage, with due respect to the crowd. But while they were discussing the matter a long-headed motorman on a car that was held up by the blockade hit upon a plan and by placing a log of wood between the front of the car and the rear end of the load put on the "juice" and pushed the load to a place of safety amid the applause of the spectators.

This incident is interesting for more reasons than one and one is that while thoughtless persons who having passed a mill at night and seen lights in the windows went about to their friends advertising the return of prosperity, the presence of a couple of hundred able-bodied men standing with their hands in their pockets watching a blockade on Central street during the afternoon of a working day proves conclusively that the return of prosperity is still in the distance for while the unemployed abound, there can be no prosperity in this city of hand-to-mouth existence.

The warm weather and thaw are causing the flooding of many cellars in the side streets where snow is piled high and as yet uncleared but they are too far removed from the square to be considered now. When you go into the cellar for wood and have to use a boathook to get it, you will appreciate the fact.

MORTALITY OF LOWELL.

For the week ending February 18, 1899:

Population, 88,611; total deaths, 22; deaths under five 10, acute lung diseases 4.

Death rate for week ending February 18, 1899, 18.77 against 19.32, 21.12 for previous two weeks.

Infectious diseases reported—For week ending February 18, 1899: Typhoid fever 1, scarlet fever 1, membraneous croup 1, measles, 18.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

DR MARTEL'S FRENCH FEMALE PILLS

Relief at Last

Trusted by thousands of callous dollars as safe, sure and reliable and without an equal. Ask druggist for Dr. Martel's French Female Pills. In metal box with Red Ribbon on top. In Blue, White and Red. Insist on having the genuine. "Relief for Woman," sealed FREE in plain sealed letter with testimonials and particulars. Address, FRENCH DRUG CO., 391 and 393 Pearl St., N.Y.

BOXING GOSSIP.

Martin and Joe Flaherty arrived here from their lucrative trip to Brooklyn Friday night in a high feather over their easy victory. As they stood in Merrimack Square, waiting for the Pawtucketville electric, Martin received the congratulations of many friends who passed and was the center of attraction for an admiring group of newsboys who endeavored to sell the clever little boxer whole armfuls of The Sun "wid yet pitcher in it," as they expressed it. Martin is in good condition and bears no marks of the encounter, for he was struck on the face but once. Martin says that he will begin at once to train for Gardner which bout takes place at Hartford, Conn., on Washington's birthnight, Feb. 22. Though the time is short, Martin is almost at weight, 126 pounds and will have no difficulty in getting to the limit and under it if need be. His outdoor work has been rendered impossible but he will continue his indoor work at the Buckeye gym. While we were discussing the McBride bout, Martin said: "McBride was quite easy for me, though he went in hard to win and was remarkably game. I hit him hard enough in the first round to put any ordinary man out but he refused to be put out. When he was finally put out, his manager started to make a kick at the referee, but McBride stopped him, saying: "Martin licked me fairly, so don't kick over it."

"And who do you suppose was on hand to see the light Monday night, with a whole bunch of money to put on Martin?" put in his brother Joe.

"Give it up," said I.

"Our old antagonist, Tom Moriarty," answered Joe. "He was in a marine's uniform and came up from the Brooklyn navy yard. He looked fine and had plenty of money."

Moriarty is the well known boxer of this city who was always Joe's particular antagonist when in Lowell. A couple of years ago, Tom went west and fought many battles with a majority of victims and during the war enlisted in the marine corps. His cousin and old time sparring partner John Moriarty, better known among the boys as "Club" has been in the marine corps since the outbreak of the war.

But to return to the Flahertys: In speaking of the Gardner bout, Joe very sagely remarked: "I can't figure out how Gardner can lick Martin. Of course he is a good man and has defeated good men but any man in my opinion who cannot lick Dixon cannot lick Martin."

A Lowell party will take in the fight at Hartford and many more than at first was expected will probably go as it is learned that a train for Boston can be obtained shortly after midnight and thus it is possibly to get back to Lowell early in the morning.

Two attempts have been made recently to get Joe Flaherty and "Spike" Sullivan together but the foxy Spike says:

"Those Flahertys came from Lowell where they make sarsaparilla and the two of them live on it and are good men to let alone." That Spike believes this was evidenced when he fought Martin in Boston for on that occasion he kept as far away from Martin as the ropes would allow.

Tonight's battle at New Haven between Eddy Connolly and Matty Matthews promises much in the way of aggressive ring work by two clever light brigade performers. Matthews is one of Jack Dougherty's stable and for that reason will bear close inspection as the manager generally comes away with the good end of the purse, as for instance, Jack O'Brien against Oscar Gardner the other night. They box twenty rounds at 135 pounds and the winner will be in line to meet Joe Gans, the dandy Baltimore scrapmaker.

If Jack O'Brien wins from Billy Whistler of Philadelphia at New York tonight he will look for a match with George Dixon. O'Brien and Whistler box twenty rounds at 125 pounds.

Reports of the Maher-Conroy battle say that Peter was not in good shape for the go and his inability to stop the West Troy novice gives ground for the belief that he is drifting into the has-been class.

Kid Goulette and Luke Stevens of Buffalo will box at Hamilton, Ont., on Feb. 21.

Jim Popp, the husky Toronto lightweight will box Jack Downey of Brooklyn, twenty rounds at Buffalo, March 6, at 126 pounds.

Charley Burns may meet Charley McKeever of Philadelphia ten rounds in Cincinnati, Feb. 20.

Patsy Sheppard received word from Dick Burge, the "Iron Man" yesterday that he intends coming to this country shortly to take on the Michigan marvel, Kid Lavigne in a lightweight championship levee but will go after Bobby Dobbs hard before leaving England to show that he can trim the colored fighter. Burge writes from London that he is in good shape and sends regards to his Boston friends.

Teddy McGovern and George Munroe will box six rounds at the benefit to be tendered Edward T. Driscoll, the vice president of the Greenwood A. C., on March 1, at Brooklyn.

Oscar Gardner is profiting by the setback he received from Jack O'Brien and is training hard for his go with Martin Flaherty at Hartford on Washington's birthday. The hard-hitting Lowell boy will have the prestige of fighting a winning battle against a good one, his last bout before taking on the Omaha Kid, while the latter will have in mind his defeat at O'Brien's hands. The Kid will need to be in the pink of condition to down Flaherty as he is giving away all kinds of weight—Boston Post.

Bob Fitzsimmons is already preparing for his bout with Jeffries by taking long walks, exercising with dumb bells pounding the bag and sparring with his partner, Yank Kenney, each day. Fitz will train more ruggedly when the place of the meeting is fixed.

Eddy Connolly has been matched to box Tom Broderick of Yonkers at Hartford for twenty rounds at 133 pounds the first week in March. Eddy beat the Yonkers lightweight last October in eleven rounds but it proved an interesting bout to witness and they should furnish the nutmeg sports some warm going.

BIG NEW YORK FIRE.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—Fire today did damage estimated at $100,000 in the buildings at 475 and 477 Broadway, occupied by the Spool Silk manufacturing firm of Belding Bros. & Co., Hamberger & Homan, cigars; the Postal telegraph company, Blum's ticket office and Gulbinger & Co., silk manufacturers.

Miss Katie Coughlin of Wilson street North Billerica, has recovered from her recent severe illness.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hills have returned from their western trip.

ENGLISH MILLS

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM THE COTTON FACTORY TIMES.

The adjourned conference of employers and operatives' representatives in the cotton spinning trade (medium counts), including reelers and winders, was held in Manchester the past week to further consider the application of the operatives to an increase of wages of 5d. in the pound, as conceded by them in 1893 when the Brooklands agreement was framed, and the mule card and blowing room hands to an increase of 10 per cent. or 2½ in the pound.

At the conference on Monday, Jan. 23, the employers asked for a fortnight's adjournment in order that they might obtain the opinion of their district committee on the operatives' application. These meetings, it is supposed, were held last week. Anyhow, meetings took place at Oldham and Bolton last Friday evening, at which the state of trade was discussed.

At Oldham it is stated that the committee decided to "oppose the application for an advance on the ground that the margin was not as good as it had been," the feeling also being that "the application was premature."

The decision at Bolton was that "considering the small margin of profits yet shown since the improvement in trade began and also considering the bad times through which the cotton concerns had to pass and contend with for some time past, the application for an advance of wages was premature."

It is supposed that similar decisions were come to by the committee in other districts connected with the Employers' Federation. These reports were presented to the meeting of the employers' representatives on Monday. The decisions referred to were in some quarters looked upon as a foregone conclusion, notwithstanding the feeling is still strong that the operatives in the end will secure the desired advance.

Should the employers refuse the advance, it will then remain for the operatives to decide what further action shall be taken. It is probable, however, that the usual month's notice of the advance will be tendered in the respective districts affected by the previous reduction, and in the meantime the operatives will ballot on the question.

Charles Haydock, who for the last 16 years has been one of the trustees of the Bolton and District Card and Blowing Room Operatives' Association, died recently. He was one of the first members of the association, but cannot be considered one of the oldest, as he severed his connection for several years whilst filling the position of overlooker in the mill. He was a collector for the association for about 10 years and was its first representative on the Bolton Trades council. He leaves a widow and three children, two daughters and a son.

T. Harrison, stripper and grinder at the Gledwick Spinning company, Oldham, has been promoted to the position of under carder, in place of C. W. Hilton, who has been appointed carder.

MAYOTTE INQUEST

ABOUT MARCH 1, THE RESULT OF JUDICIAL INQUIRY WILL BE KNOWN.

Judge Hadley in speaking in reference to the Mayotte inquest states there were five or six hundred pages of typewritten matter and he had not himself, as yet, seen the evidence in documentary form. It will first be necessary to complete the documents and then he would have to have sufficient time to consider and digest in order to reach his conclusions. All of that will be a matter of at least a week's time and probably more. Therefore it looks as though it would be on or about the first of March before the public will know the result of the judicial inquiry.

About the Conroy inquest, Judge Hadley did not know when there would be anything for publication.

JOSEPH F. TALBOT.

APPOINTED SUPERINTENDENT OF THE TALBOT MILLS.

Joseph F. Talbot has been appointed superintendent of the Talbot mills at North Billerica. Mr. Talbot succeeds Lieut. Thomas Talbot who resigned recently and who is now in Europe with his mother. Joseph F. Talbot has been acting superintendent since Lieut. Thomas Talbot enlisted for service in the war with Spain.

Joseph F. Talbot was born in Texas, but came to Billerica when a boy. He is a graduate of the Howe school. The new "super" has taken a leading part in the sports of the town and is one of the most popular and best liked men in the town. He was one of the original members of the famous "P. H. & T. base ball club organized in 1887.

PAVONIA FREE OF DANGER.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

PONTA DEL GADA, Azores, Feb. 20.—The weather has become calm and the Cunard line steamer Pavonia which became disabled while on her way from Liverpool to Boston and was towed into St. Michael's on Saturday by the steamer Wolviston, is now free from danger and will enter the harbor today.

A ROYAL WELCOME.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

OMDURMAN, Egypt, Feb. 20.—The Duke and Duchess of Connaught arrived here yesterday evening and met with an enthusiastic welcome from the natives. The Duke reviewed nine thousand troops commanded by the Sirdar, General Lord Kitchener of Khartoum and afterwards held a levee at which the officers and notabilities were present.

NORTH ATLANTIC SQUADRON.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The advance guard of the North Atlantic squadron composed of the flagship New York and the battleship Indiana arrived at the Bermudas today and reported to the navy department by cable. Admiral Sampson's despatch said that William J. Brownley, a first class gun captain, was swept overboard last Friday morning from the Indiana. The squadron was between three and four days in making the trip from New York to the Bermudas owing to the terrible weather.

WINDOW BROKEN.

A large plate glass window in the saloon of Con. Shannahan on Adams street was broken last night by one of the owner's dogs, which was anxious to get out and tried to go through the window.

Mrs. Walter H. Parker and Mrs. Harriet A. Cole leave for Jamaica on Wednesday for a four week's sojourn.

Miss Bessie Stevens is convalescing after a four weeks' severe illness.

The charitable pink festival to be held by the young ladies of the Immaculate Conception church at Associate hall, April 14 will be for the benefit of the Sacred Heart church instead of the Immaculate Conception church as erroneously stated in a local paper.

G. O. Taylor Whiskies, decidedly medicinal.

NEW SHOE STRIKE

The Latest One Reported From Haverhill

AT THE CHESLEY & RIGG SHOP.

Sixty Trained Workmen are Out.

The boot and shoe industry seems for the past year to be in the throes of an epidemic of strikes owing to the unreasonable attitude of the employers toward the employed. Haverhill stirred the trouble. Then came Lowell with the strike at Stevens which is still on. Marlboro was next and now it appears Haverhill is undergoing another according to the following from the Haverhill Gazette:

The labor troubles in the shoe district do not seem to be at an end, as another strike was inaugurated late yesterday afternoon when 53 returned workmen, employed in the contract shop of Allen G. Twombly, formerly owned by Chesley & Rugg, on Washington street, left their benches.

The features connected with this the latest trouble are somewhat out of the ordinary, inasmuch as the new proprietor took the initiative and precipitated the conflict. Agent Donovan of the shoe council visited the shop yesterday morning and introduced a new price list for Mr. Twombly's inspection and made arrangements for a conference to be held late in the afternoon. The meeting was of a pleasant nature, and matters were allowed to rest, so far as the agent was concerned, until the conference was held. Yesterday afternoon, however, Mr. Twombly gave notice to four teams that their services were no longer needed, and gave as a reason "lack of work." This action taken by the new proprietor was resented by the remainder of the workmen, who decided, with the exception of a half dozen, to quit their jobs, in sympathy with those who were discharged. The men proceeded to the labor headquarters and there held a discussion of the situation.

Agent Donovan was apprised of the facts of the case and went at once to the factory. Both Mr. Chesley and Mr. Twombly were interviewed, and the new price-list was discussed. According to the agent's statements Mr. Chesley had no serious objections to the new prices embraced in the document, but Mr. Twombly believed them to be too exorbitant. The difference between the new list and the old is only about a quarter of a cent in advance, averaging the whole, according to the statements of Agent Donovan, and is called very fair by the union officials and the men.

The workmen held the opinion that the men were discharged yesterday afternoon for the purpose of testing the feeling and strength of the union, and they all determined to fight the matter out to the end.

Another incident in connection with the trouble comes to light through the statements made by one of the strikers. It seems that after the eight men were discharged by Mr. Twombly a workman named Cass became engaged in an altercation with him on the matter, and was ordered to leave the building. According to the story told the man refused to do this until he had received the wages due him for his work. Mr. Twombly refused to settle with Cass, and, with Mr. Chesley, accompanied him to the door, where he left the building. Agent Donovan told a Gazette man last night that this incident had no direct bearing on the strike, as the men had received their instructions previously to leave if any of their number were discharged which was done.

The situation to-day is somewhat changed and to use the words of Agent Donovan, "has resolved itself into a systematic strike." The men are determined to fight, and will use the power of all local unions to aid them.

There was a lively meeting held by the strikers and sympathizers at the labor headquarters this morning and the situation was reviewed at length. The men are unanimous in their intention to stand by their colleagues who were discharged and will not return to their benches unless all are reinstated.

There is little prospect that this will be done, however. Both Mr. Chesley and Mr. Twombly have intimated that there was no trouble over the price list and the difficulty seems to have been transformed into a hitch between the firm and the men over the trouble in the factory Friday afternoon. It is said that all "second" orders will be cancelled and that the works on the "firsts" will be completed and cleaned up as rapidly as possible with the aid of the workmen remaining in the factory.

Mr. Chesley said there were about 10 teams still at work in the room but the labor men dispute this and state that there are not more than eight or ten men remaining at their benches.

Mr. Chesley has authorized the following statement in defence of the fact that his scale of wages throughout the factory was much above the average paid by local firms: "In the factory last week there were employed 375 persons of both sexes, per TgfikuBrdanc'mf of both sexes. The amount of wages paid was a little over $1000. The average wages paid to each person in the factory (not including foremen or employes in the stitching room) was between $11 and $12. In the stitching room the average per person amounted to $10.50."

This statement was shown at the labor headquarters and was not denied. Pickets were placed on duty on Washington street this morning for the purpose of keeping watch for new workmen, should they attempt to obtain jobs in either the Wadleigh shop or under Mr. Twombly and should any be detected they will be persuaded to keep away.

Agent Donovan went to the Chesley & Rugg building this morning and held a brief interview with Mr. Chesley but nothing of importance was done relative to the adjustment of the strike.

This noon the strikers repaired to the Chesley & Rugg building and carried in their slips for the work performed by them up to the time when they left their benches and tomorrow they will receive the money which is due them for their services.

REPORT OF DEATHS.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1899.

19—Timothy Sullivan, 64, exposure.
Kattie F. Garvin, 10, heart disease.
11—Joseph Doucette, 23, strangulated hernia.
Mary Feeley, 22, heart disease.
12—William H. Kaulbach, 81, bro. pneumonia.
Abigail V. Dearborn, 62, myocarditis.
Joseph C. Cudworth, 55, abscess.
Adeline McPherson, 32, cer. hemorrhage.
13—Celestine Surprenant, 41, septicaemia.
Kate Duffy, 21, phthisis.
Eva Wyskszyke, 1 mo., convulsions.
14—Bridget Applebee, 55, disease of heart.
Emma L. Jewett, 51, pneumonia.
Merle H. Garvin, 10, leucocythemia.
Flore Hibrault, 9 mos., gastric enteritis.
Andrew Sauninski, 3 mos., inanition.
Lottie Allison, 2 mos., intestinal obstruction.
15—Arceline F. Dudley, 71, paralysis.
Sarah Deering, 76, heart disease.
Alonzo K. Preston, 55, myocarditis.
Alfred M. Fonte, 50, pneumonia.
Mary A. Curran, 39, heart disease.
Mary F. Hogan, 26, phthisis.
16—Edmund Burke, 23, acute endocarditis.
Alice Couillard, 5, pulm. oedema.
Alice F. Ash, 1, pulm. phthisis.
Caroline Goddard, 4 mos., gastritis.
George A. Campbell, 14 days, infantile.
17—John Green, 49, myelitis.
—— Curran, 3 days, stalactesis.
Catherine O'Malley, 1 day, infantile debility.
18—James Lally, 1 mo., convulsions.
GERARD P. DADMAN, Clerk.

POTTERY ART

JAPAN LEADS THE WORLD IN MANY IMPORTANT ARTS.

Prof. E. S. Morse, of Salem, who is a noted authority on art, spoke before the Society of Arts and Crafts recently on "The Industrial Arts of Japan."

Prof. Morse described pottery making in Japan. No other people make so many varieties of pottery or exhibit such wonderful delicate workmanship. Their potter's wheels are given a whirl by hand, instead of being run clumsily by foot. A potter in Japan is a man of high social standing and distinction. His workshop is a beautiful garden, kept scrupulously clean.

Prof. Morse described bronze making. In the case of the exquisite bronze peacocks, the artist sits in his lovely garden, with one or two live peacocks walking around, and models in beeswax, kept soft by the sun. When the model is finished, it is covered gradually with layers of clay that harden, and then the whole thing is built about into solid clay. The clay is fired, the wax runs out and bronze is poured in.

In lacquer work the Japanese are exceedingly skillful. They obtain the gold dust for finishing by striking gold leaf with soft glue made from deer's horn. The glue becomes as brittle as glass. The mass is broken into pieces and these are melted, the gold sinking to the bottom of the pan. In the finer lacquer work, an artist will go out to sea to put on a coating, in order to avoid dust.

Sometimes only one coat a year is put on a box. At the end of several years gold dust is sprinkled into the final wave, and when it is dry the box is polished.

The lecturer said the Japanese were exceptional among all the peoples of the world on account of their facility in adopting the best things of every country without in the least permitting them to influence their national character or patriotism.

MEET MONDAY

FALL RIVER MILL MEN WILL ELECT OFFICERS AND MAY DISCUSS THE WAGE SITUATION.

The Manufacturers' association of Fall River, will meet on Monday afternoon to elect officers. The note of Secretary Whitehead will be presented and discussed.

This statement was given out Sat. morning by Secretary Hounsville, who said that no action would be taken until that time.

As far as known there is no plan proposed as to a disposition of the letter of the operatives. The executive committee is said to have no report to make and no recommendation to extend. It will simply present the note and let the association take action.

Cloth is firm at 2 1-2 cents. The market was not marked up Saturday to 2 5-8 cents, as reported and a member of the selling committee was very vigorous in his comment on this statement made without anything like authority.

The sales this week will foot up 400,000 pieces. Of this amount it is said that 150,000 are trust goods and the rest cloth. Some of the wide counts have advanced considerably over the basis for prints. It is expected that there will be rise in the quotation at any time as standard goods are rather shy. If any buyer wishes a fair amount of extras and wants them right away he will have to bid up to get them.

POSTAL CLERKS

ELECTION OF OFFICERS YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

The Merrimack Valley association of Postal Clerks met in the Franklin House in Lawrence yesterday afternoon and elected the following officers:

President, J. J. Murray of Lawrence; first vice president, Calvin O. Buttrick of Haverhill; second vice president, L. H. Carpenter of Manchester, N. H.; third vice president, Charles R. Davis of Salem; secretary, George Carlisle Stuart of Lawrence; treasurer, Chas. E. Mahoney of Lowell.

A banquet and discussion followed the election of officers.

MILITARY NOTES

PRIVATE LANE OF COMPANY M IS STILL IN CARNEY HOSPITAL.

Second Lieut. Fred D. Costello of Co. M, Sixth regiment, M. V. M., received his discharge from the regiment last week.

Arthur F. Salmon, secretary of the soldiers' relief committee, went to the Carney hospital, Boston, recently and saw "Chub" Lane, the Lowell boy who enlisted in Company M during the Spanish war and was brought home sick on the Bay State. Lane has been in the hospital since last August and has been so sick that he was at one time given up to die. He told Mr. Salmon that from September to December his mind was a blank; he had absolutely no knowledge of what had passed during that time or of what his condition was. But "Chub" is now on the mending hand and Mr. Salmon is of the opinion that he will get out of the hospital some time next week.

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BY ANNOUNCING RETURN OF FORMER PAY.

This Action Means Pledges Are Kept.

A Providence dispatch says cotton factory operatives' wages in Rhode Island are to be raised generally before long by all the large manufacturers.

The United States Cotton company, one of the solidest concerns of the Blackstone valley, set the ball a-rolling in this direction. It has announced that on and after to-day wages will be restored to the rate paid a couple of years ago.

This increase of wages, or restoration will amount to 10 or 12 per cent. on an average. The restoration is a voluntary act on the part of the company, and was due to a promise made to the operatives, and has not been brought about because of any agitation on the part of the employes.

When, a few years ago, the depression in the cotton business came, which finally led to a shutting down of mills in the Blackstone valley in order to bring about a curtailment of product, the United States Cotton company arranged with the operatives that, if they would accept a cut down of wages, the mills would run as long as possible, and when times got better the old wages would be given them.

The cotton business is now booming, the mills are selling rapidly their goods in stock and are running fast to supply new orders.

It is said that Robert Knight, the cotton king, and the Goddard Brothers will soon increase wages, too.

HUGGING NO HARM

BROOKLYN PASTOR SO TESTIFIES AS AN EXPERT ON COURTSHIP.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

BROOKLYN, Feb. 20.—"Mr. Jones, as I understand it, was courting the young lady in question and might have hugger her. But I don't see much harm in that. He is unmarried and has a right to court a young lady if he sees fit."

In these words uttered by the Rev. Dr. Robert Bruce Hall, pastor of the Greenwood Baptist church, clerical approval is given to those acts of tenderness between courting couples which are the special abomination of old maids and others to whom wooing and its side issues are in themselves reprehensible.

It had been regarded as an unwritten law that these sweet mutual manifestations should be confined to those whose courting had reached the engagement stage, and the letting down of the bars by the Brooklyn divine will doubtless be greeted with delight by many.

The decision was rendered by the Rev. Mr. Hall when he was called upon to tell about the trial of the Rev. E. Mona Jones, before a council of Baptist ministers, today, charged with improper conduct toward Miss Georgiana Rhodes of Freeport. Mr. Jones was kept away from the hearing by the snow storm.

Another body before which Preacher Jones was haled on the same charge was the arbitration committee of the Odd Fellows' lodge of Freeport, of which he is chaplain. That committee held four secret sessions, and it is said that its ultimate finding has been a sealed verdict of acquittal, which will be handed in to the lodge to-day.

The alleged assault that Miss Rhodes complained of is said to have occurred in Richmond Hill in Pune, 1897, at a time when the young woman was nursing her sick mother.

BARBERS' BILL

HEARING TO-MORROW AT THE STATE HOUSE.

City Messenger Fagan, treasurer of the Lowell Barbers' union, has received a letter from Representative William J. Quigley of North Chelmsford, stating that the barbers' bill which was referred to the committee on health, will come up for a hearing to-morrow. Arrangements have been made to have a delegation of Lowell union barbers present at the hearing.

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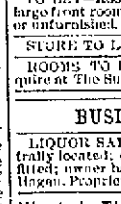

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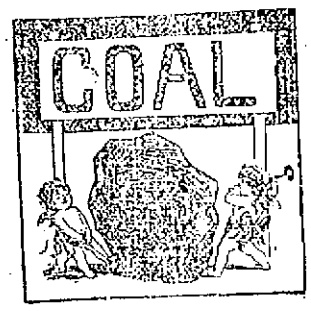

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THE STAGE IN GOTHAM.

JAMES A. HERNE.

SCENE FROM "THE THREE DRAGOONS"

MARGUERITE LEMMON.

LINDA DA COSTA.

LOUISE BEAUDET.

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SMITH and De Koven's new opera, "The Three Dragoons," is not, as seems to be very generally supposed, based upon the famous Dumas story. In fact, the Smith dragoons are of a very different type from the famous Dumas musketeers. Mr. Smith has used his heroes as funmaking vehicles, and therefore one of them is an Irishman, one a Scotchman and one an Englishman. They are all to inherit from a wealthy Portuguese hidalgo provided certain conditions with reference to the marriage of a certain girl are fulfilled. The low comedy is mainly supplied by an Irish servant of one of the officers and the man's two followers, one of whom is a dumb Scotchman and the other a deaf Englishman. Then there is the cook of the king of Portugal, impersonated by Jerome Sykes in an oily and unconvincing manner.

Messrs. Smith and De Koven, warned by several previous experiences, have evidently thrown worthy effort to the winds and have endeavored simply to produce a work which should amuse if not instruct. But they have not exactly succeeded, for Mr. De Koven's songs, with possibly one or two exceptions, will never be whistled by the street gamins, and Mr. Smith's few witty lines are most of them entitled to respect and consideration solely by reason of their age. It is of course worse than foolish for makers of comic opera to attempt to educate the public up to something it does not want, but it is also possible to concoct a work of this sort which shall be entertaining and at the same time commendable. No one who remembers the early Gilbert and Sullivan operas can question this statement.

The regrettable thing about "The Three Dragoons" is that it will add neither to the popularity nor reputation of its makers with any class of theater goers, for, while the sop is thrown to the rabble, there is not enough of it to produce a satisfying effect. It is likely, however, that more humorous dialogue and a little more horseplay will be put into it if its promoters be wise, for as it stands, while it is a good many miles removed from even the suspicion of failure, it is not likely to enjoy the long vogue which is necessary nowadays, owing to the enormous cost of production, to show a profit on a comic opera venture.

Of the performers, Miss Marguerite Lemmon, a comparative newcomer in this city, carried off the honors. She sings well and is a pretty figure, though her acting is still a trifle stiff. Linda Da Costa was as dainty as ever and with her small voice sang the French clock ditty charmingly. A cake walk, with songs of all nations, allotted to Richard F. Carroll, was unfortunately the hit of the evening, although it had no more right to be in the opera than Mephistopheles would have to be in heaven, but it served to show that Messrs. Smith and De Koven were not wrong when they proceeded upon the theory that the public wants the verriest nonsense in what is now called comic opera.

What a jump from "The Three Dragoons" to "Rev. Griffith Davenport," which is now holding forth at the Herald Square! This is a dramatization of Helen H. Gardener's novel, "An Unofficial Patriot," and the result demonstrates that, while a book which deals principally with the atmosphere of a certain locality and makes a study of peculiar local conditions may be a huge success, a play requires a great deal more to win the favor of the theater going public even now, when quiet methods in the recital and acting of a dramatic vehicle are regarded as almost prerequisites to favor.

In "Shore Acres" this quality made the piece a great money winner and gave the author, Mr. Herne, the reputation which enabled him to get a respectful hearing on Broadway for "Rev. Griffith Davenport." Atmosphere made "Shore Acres," but it unmakes "Rev. Griffith Davenport." The reason is simple, too, to any one who has watched the trend of American theatricals. Mr. Herne has evidently attributed the success of "Shore Acres" almost solely to the fact that it contained lots of atmosphere, and, proceeding on that theory, he has put so much of it into "Rev. Griffith Davenport" that he has made it a listless, unvirile sort of thing, whereas in "Shore Acres" there was a strong story dramatically told, the coloring being only the background of the picture.

The real dinner in "Shore Acres" and the favor with which it was received may have prompted Mr. Herne to introduce a child in "Davenport" for the sole purpose of enabling him to kiss her, thereby, as he may have imagined, emphasizing the traits of the character of the circuit rider. But there he made a great mistake, for, while the former undoubtedly increased the charm of the play, the latter is a cheap piece of theatrical redundancy. "Rev. Griffith Davenport" may, with or without change, be transformed into a profitable venture, but if it should be, it will greatly surprise nearly every person in this city who has seen it. As a character sketch and a reflex of the conditions prevailing in Virginia immediately before the civil war it may be called a success. As a play, however, I should call it a regrettable failure, despite the magnificent acting of Mr. Herne and the members of his excellent company, whose sole offense is a series of awful and multicolored alleged southern accents with which every one of the players seems to feel bound to struggle.

"Mlle. Fifi," a farce comedy from the French, has taken the place of "The Turtle" at the Manhattan theater. It is controlled, like its unsavory predecessor, by the managers of the theater at which it is exploited. The effort has apparently been made, according to nearly all the critics, to out-Turtle "The Turtle," and, according to the same authorities, they have succeeded in their more or less laudable effort. The character which gives greatest offense in "Mlle. Fifi" is the one which is allotted to Miss Louise Beaudet. Miss Beaudet is one of the most talented women on the stage, and there is certainly no one who possesses greater versatility. She has been highly successful in almost every branch of theatrical effort, not excepting tragedy and comic opera. That she should have been selected for a part, therefore, which was certain to bring down upon her head the abuse of critics because of the very excellence of her impersonation is very unfortunate.

Now that "Mlle. Fifi" has apparently "caught on" in its own peculiar way it will be instructive to speculate upon its successor. There is one consolatory reflection still possible, and that is that any manager who may take a thing like "The Turtle" as a starter and then set out to improve upon it in the way of immorality in each succeeding production is doomed to certain failure, for it is so very close to the limit that the police-interference-point must soon be reached.

"All things come to him who waits," even unpleasant things. Charles H. Hoyt, the man who created a new type of entertainment in this country, has written probably a score of farces. Until recently he had never been responsible for a failure, and the number of his emphatic successes was almost as great as the number of the plays which he had turned out. His nearest approach to a failure was "A Runaway Colt," and most of his admirers were of the opinion that that piece was as good as some others of his which had lasted for seasons, and that it only failed to "make good" by reason of the fact that in it Hoyt endeavored to make a bad actor of a very good baseball player, Adrian C. Anson, then manager of the Chicago team.

But Hoyt has been patiently or impatiently waiting, and at last he knows what it is to have a real failure on his hands; not one of those things that fool you by dawdling along, but a real, aggressive on-the-minute failure. The name of this freak play is "A Dog In the Manger," and one week after it was produced it was decided by the author and his partner to take it off. It is possible that Hoyt might have undertaken the "whipping into shape" process, which all of his farces have experienced, but his health is so poor that "A Dog In the Manger" was permitted to go on record with the distinction of being the only failure ever written by Charles H. Hoyt.

There prevails a very general impression that the skirt dancer is a thing of the past. This may be so with reference to the vast number of more or less young women who when every other means of livelihood fails take up that branch of the vaudeville business as a thing that anybody can do. All that these folks seem to regard as necessary is an outfit consisting of a few electric lamps, black back and side cloths and a few dresses of diaphanous material ornamented with some silver braid or a few pounds of spangles. Names are then found for the several dances, all of which are substantially the same, and the act is ready to be booked.

Of course there are several of these people in this country who are real dancers. These are constantly endeavoring to improve their acts and to make changes which will at least give the appearance of novelty. But in the main they go on doing the same thing month after month and year after year without a thought of anything new, depending upon Loie Fuller to originate for them effects which may be reproduced without great expense.

If these so called dancers would only peer beneath the surface they would soon learn that Loie Fuller does not continue to draw an immense salary because of her name, as they assert, but because no act or effect is ever so good that she does not try to improve upon it or to get up something absolutely new. A case in point: She has had for a long time a very profitable engagement in Paris at the Folies Bergeres. A certain production in London was not doing very well, and its managers went to Paris, paid Loie Fuller much more than the Parisians could afford and got her into their show. She has more than doubled the receipts, and even though skirt dancing may be dead in a general way it would seem that as applied to Loie Fuller it is still a very live issue.

Arthur Crispin

New York.

Intercollegiate Cricket.

The Intercollegiate Cricket association has appointed a committee, comprising R. S. Holland of Harvard, W. A. Evans of Haverford college and O. Paul of the University of Pennsylvania, to arrange an international game with the colleges of Canada this year. It was expected that Yale and Princeton would join in time to take part in the championship schedule of games of the season. The fixtures have been arranged, however, without them. The schedule is as follows:

May 16 and 17.—Harvard university against University of Pennsylvania, at Boston.

May 19 and 20.—University of Pennsylvania against Haverford college, at Philadelphia.

May 26 and 27.—Harvard university against Haverford college, at Boston.

Haverford college won the championship last year, but in the final game neither J. A. Lester nor D. H. Adams played for Harvard, although both were in residence there.

Great Relay Race Meet.

The Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania will give an intercollegiate relay race meeting on Saturday, April 29, open to all the colleges and universities of the United States and Canada. There will be three races to determine the college championship of America. One race will be over a mile course and the second will be a two mile race, concluding with one of four miles. There will be no entrance fees, and the teams will consist of four men each. An effort will be made to arrange the colleges in groups of nearly equal strength. The first group will be composed of Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Pennsylvania.

PILLSBURY'S CHESS RECORD.

Harry N. Pillsbury, the American chess champion, was born Dec. 5, 1872, in Somerville, Mass., which happens also to be the home of Charles F. Barker, the recognized American checker champion.

The following is the record made by the champion in match and tournament play:

1893—New York, impromptu, unplaced; Lasker, first.

1893—New York, masters' tourney, first prize; Hodges, second.

1894—New York, masters' tourney, unplaced; Steinitz, first.

1895—Hastings, international, first prize; Tschigorin, second.

1895-6—St. Petersburg, quadrangular, third prize; Lasker, first.

1896—Nuremberg, international, third prize with Tarrasch; Lasker, first.

1896—Budapest, international, third prize; Tschigorin, first.

1898—Vienna, international, second prize; Tarrasch, first.

1892—Boston, versus H. N. Stone; won by 5 to 1.

1892—Boston, versus J. F. Barry; won by 5 to 4.

1898—Vienna, versus B. English; drawn (five drawn games).

1897—Brooklyn, versus J. W. Showalter; won by 10 to 8 (United States championship).

1898—New York, versus J. W. Showalter, won by 7 to 2 (United States championship).

Pillsbury is pre-eminently a tournament and match player, but in addition to this is rated as among the cleverest of the masters in the different forms of exhibition chess. As a blindfold player he has few equals and is the peer of Blackburne, the famous Englishman, long considered to be the highest exponent of the art.

Pillsbury's conduct of the games when blindfolded is always remarkably fine. He rarely misses his way and evolves combinations well nigh as deep as though played over the board. The average number of games thus played by him at the same time is six or eight, but he has played as high as 10 and 12 successfully.

Sir Henry Irving carries with him on his tours his own tea—a fine Chinese variety that comes in silk sacks. He has his own teakettle, and after ordering hot water, sugar and rolls he attends to the making of the tea himself.

SPORTSMEN'S SHOW.

Great Convention of Lovers of Outdoor Sports—Some Novel Aquatic and Other Features of the Exhibition.

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New York will be the Mecca of all true sportsmen during the first week of March. Those whose business or other interests will compel them to be absent from the metropolis at that time will have their eyes turned in that direction and in spirit at least be present at the sportsmen's show to be held at Madison Square Garden March 2-11.

Of course the primary object of the exhibition, like the bicycle show, will be to benefit the trade and the concerns who deal in the various implements and accoutrements that sportsmen need in the pursuit of their favorite pastimes. Dealers and manufacturers of all sorts of implements used by the hunter, the fisherman, the canoeist, the yachtsman or the devotee of field sports will display their goods.

But the exhibits of guns, rods, canoes, rackets, cameras, golf and other apparatus for games will not be found tame or uninteresting, as it might seem to the uninitiated. The visitor, moreover, unless he be interested in them, which, if he be an out and out sportsman, he surely will be, need look at none of these things. All sorts of interesting sights and events have been devised to attract and amuse visitors.

The immense main floor of the Garden, instead of being given up this year to trade exhibits, will be devoted to features showing life in the woods and forests and other things interesting to sportsmen.

The main entrance will be through an immense archway of greenery underlaid with taubark, the whole so planned that at first the visitor will imagine he is entering a huge forest. Passing in, he will come upon a rustic bridge. This will lead to a small island, surrounded by water about ten feet broad. The islet will contain a typical camp, with log cabins and tents and their surroundings, in the North woods, while on the water will be small boats and launches of all sorts.

In the center of the Garden will be a miniature forest. It will be a model game park and will contain live specimens of buffalo, moose, caribou, elk, deer, antelope and other large game animals most prized by sportsmen.

The animals which will be exhibited have been specially collected for this show by Dr. Heber Bishop of Boston, vice president of the National Sportsmen's association, who has charge of that department. Dr. Bishop has recently returned from a hunting and collecting expedition through Maine, New Brunswick and Quebec in quest of rare animals. He has got together a collection of game animals such as were never before seen in any exhibition in this country.

During his tour Dr. Bishop had the luck to shoot one of the largest bull moose ever brought out of the woods. Dr. Bishop bagged the huge creature in the wilds of New Brunswick. He has had it stuffed and mounted, and it will be on exhibition at the show. This wonderful moose is 13 feet 3½ inches long from his nose to his hind hoofs and stands 6 feet 7 inches high. His antlers spread 60 inches and have 21 points, and he weighed as he fell between 1,200 and 1,300 pounds. He is the largest moose ever killed in the southwest Miramichi water, the previous record being 58 inches spread.

In another part of the building will be a game fish aquarium, around which fishermen will congregate, and, pointing out particularly good sized specimens of the species they delight to angle for, they will tell the credulous listeners how much larger were the fish they nearly caught last season. Each story will be eclipsed by the yarn of the next man, until the astonished layman will retreat with eyes as round and gaping as those of the finny creatures in the tanks, wondering why the management is willing to show such small fry when so many much bigger ones are still uncaught.

Live specimens of native game birds from all parts of the continent will also have a section to themselves, where those who are interested in wild fowl and kindred shooting can see almost all the known species of America. Special pains have been taken to make this exhibit as complete as possible.

The guides from Maine and other regions where big game abound are always surrounded by interesting relays of sportsmen, renewing old acquaintances, making new ones, relating new experiences and adventures and retelling old ones. These men make most of their engagements for next season at the sportsmen's show, and some of them book dates as far as two seasons ahead.

Great are the hunters' yarns retailed by these famous guides for the delectation of the listeners, many of whom are present for the purpose of making a decision as to where they shall spend their next vacations. Some of the stories they relate and the hairbreadth escapes they have met with put many a book of adventure in the shade. The "doubting Thomas" in the crowd will go away convinced that the palm for "drawing the longbow" must be taken from the disciples of Izaak Walton and laid at the feet of these brawny sons of the woods and forests.

Whatever may be one's opinion, a sight of these hunters in their picturesque costumes, the log cabins and tents, sportsmen's camps, all decorated with trophies of the chase, snowshoes and other apparatus, will make the blood of the most inveterate stay-at-home course through his veins in a rush of enthusiasm and in spite of himself wish for a glimpse of the reality, gun in hand and quarry in view.

At one end of the Garden will be a large space taken up by an Indian village, occupied by families of the aborigines engaged in building canoes and snowshoes and in making baskets and beadwork. Antonio Apache, a famous chief, will be seen in the village, surrounded by the braves and squaws of his tribe.

Probably the most attractive feature of the whole exhibition in the estimation of those not directly interested in hunting with gun and rod will be the water carnival to be held during the week. Near the Indian village there will be constructed an artificial lake 75 feet long, 40 feet wide and 8 feet deep for the purpose of holding water polo, swimming and other competitive contests of interest. Several of the large athletic clubs of the country have been getting their teams and individual athletes in shape for these contests, notably the Knickerbocker and the New York Athletic clubs of New York city and the Boston Athletic association. Many of the colleges and universities have also entered their athletes for these aquatic sports.

Part of the programme for this water carnival is as follows: March 2, 75 yard novice swimming race, scratch; 50 yard tub race, open, scratch, and 25 yard swimming race, open, scratch. March 3, diving competition, open scratch; 50 yard race, swimming on the back, open, scratch, and relay race open to teams from boat clubs only. March 4, indoor swimming championship of Greater New York, including a 50 yard race, 200 yard race, 100 yard race and a plunge and swim under water for distance. March 6, 150 yard handicap race, open, and 50 yard candle race, open, scratch. March 7, 150 yard novice race, scratch; apple race, open, scratch, and 300 yard handicap, open. March 8, 75 yard purple swimming race, open, scratch; 100 yard handicap, open, and 25 yard race, with feet and hands tied, open, scratch. March 9, 100 yard race for the championship of the fire, police and letter carriers' departments of Greater New York, and 25 yard clothes race, open, scratch. March 10, relay race, open to all teams; 75 yard handicap, open, and trials in the water polo championship. March 11, 50 yard egg and spoon race, open, scratch; finals in water polo championship and 100 yard consolation race, scratch. There will also be collegiate, athletic or boat club water polo games every evening, so that it will be seen that the lake will be constantly the scene of exciting aquatic sports at all times. There are prizes of gold, silver and bronze medals, as well as money and watches, offered for these events.

The bowling alleys in the basement of the Garden will also be the scene of some great games. Head pin and other championships will be competed for, and many of the finest experts in the country will take part.

On the roof of the Garden the trap shooters will hold high carnival. Mr. Elmer E. Shaner, manager of the Interstate association and who is also on the board of managers of the sportsmen's show, will have charge of this department as well as of the revolver and rifle ranges. Some of the most famous shots with the different weapons, both amateur and professional, will be in attendance and take part in the competitions at inanimate targets.

CHARLES E. EDWARDEU.

The Paris "Claque."

The tolerance of a claque in the French theaters is a mystery to American nerves. Sarah Bernhardt abolished it after her travels, but was obliged to restore it. Paris possesses a king of the claque, terror and providence of directors, who jobs out applause to all the great theaters of the capital. For a fixed sum paid by him for the privilege this august personage receives each day a certain number of seats, which he resells for his own profit, and in consideration of which he furnishes the quantity of bravos claimed by the theater. To the amounts thus realized are added the obligatory "presents" of the actors, of whom many pay from $20 to $50 a month to have their entries and recalls well "claqued."

A claque chief, if intelligent, becomes very quickly a capitalist and has always a sum at the disposition of directors in need. For a loan of $5,000 he receives $10,000 or $15,000 worth of tickets, or else they cede to him the "curtain raiser" for a determined period, by an arrangement as follows: The claque chief buys a one act play from some poor playwright for a few dollars and has it played for several hundred times consecutively, appropriating to himself the author's rights. It is by means of this combination that a bad one act play is sometimes kept running for as long as two years in certain theaters.

A. A. U. Gymnastic Championships.

The annual gymnastic championships of the Amateur Athletic union will be held under the auspices of the Knickerbocker Athletic club, New York, on Friday, March 17, in the club theater, at 8 p. m. In the following order the events will be decided: Parallel bars, long horse, side horse, swinging Indian clubs, rope climbing, 25 feet for speed; individual tumbling, horizontal bar, flying rings and all round standing apparatus championship. The usual championship medals will be presented to first, second and third men.

YALE'S NEW ROWING COACH.

Great efforts are being put forth at Yale this year by the rowing men to turn out a winning eight and by this means get back some of the prestige which she has lost to Cornell by the defeats of the past two seasons. In line with these efforts a novel experiment in crew coaching will be made at New Haven. A member of the college faculty will handle the oarsmen. His name is Dr. Edson Fessenden Gallaudet, and he has been connected with the department of social science for two years.

Dr. Gallaudet is 28 years of age, and he graduated from Yale in 1892. During his course at the university he enjoyed the honor of stroking two champion varsity crews to victory. In 1892, under Captain Hartwell, and in 1893, under Captain Ives, he set a stroke that put the crew a quarter of a mile ahead of Harvard at the finish. His appointment is highly approved of by both alumni and undergraduates. As the cleanest cut oar that ever pulled the old Bob Cook stroke he can teach the blue oarsmen the best system of rowing the university ever knew.

FOOTLIGHT FLASHES.

W. S. Gilbert's working day begins at midnight.

It was reported that Robert Hilliard's friends put up $20,000 in cash for the purchase of an interest in the spectacular English melodrama "Sporting Life," which enjoyed a five months' run at the Academy of Music, New York. The play is said to be the costliest and at the same time the most successful melodrama ever produced in New York.

From present indications there will be at least one new and important star in the field next season. Mme. Flower, known as the Colored Melba, in contradistinction to the Black Patti, is having an opera written for her which will be more pretentious than the regulation comic opera. Mme. Flower is going abroad to fill engagements in London. Her manager, M. Weinstack, purposes to get together in Europe a company of colored singers to support the new star. An opera company composed entirely of colored people will be somewhat of a novelty.

Wagenhals & Kemper contemplate a spectacular production of "Damon and Pythias" next season. Louis James will be the Damon and Frederick Warde the Pythias.

The instrument which Edouard Remenyi, the famous violinist, was playing when he fell dead on the stage was a Stradivarius known as "the Titan." He had refused many offers of large sums for it. Sol Marcosson, the young American virtuoso, has purchased it for $4,000.

Beerbohm Tree's godfather was the Emperor Frederick of Germany.

This is the latest from Bernhardt: "I am afraid I shall be going to America next year for the last time. I have arranged for a long tour and suppose it will be my farewell visit."

Work in some of the cut rate stock companies grows harder for the actors. At one theater the play is changed twice a week, and two performances are given daily.

Marian McEnery, who is on the vaudeville stage, is a daughter of former Governor McEnery of Louisiana and belongs to one of New Orleans' fashionable families.

Miss Julia Arthur has secured the English rights to the new play by M. Emile Bergerac entitled "More Than Queen" and dealing with the marriage of Napoleon and Josephine and their divorce.

Stuart Robson has been before the American public for almost 40 years.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

STEAMSHIP TICKETS AND DRAFTS.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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The safe arrival of the Pavonia is another proof of Cunard luck and an additional tribute to the line's unbroken immunity from loss of life.

Mrs. Rolfe, county superintendent of the Women's Christian Temperance union will address the Drucut branch tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Old Yellow Meeting House and again at 7.45 o'clock which latter will be open to citizens.

The people of Lowell rejoice to hear that the trouble between the spinners and the Merrimack mills is practically settled. Now to make the amende honorable we suggest that Agent Peal show his magnanimity by restoring the discharged men to their places.

GIRL OF 17

MARRIED TO A MAN OF 78 YEARS.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 20—Dr. Thomas J. T. Bullington, aged 78 years and Miss Fannie Conrad, aged 17, both of Baton Rouge, were married at the hotel Royal on Thursday night by Rev. J. M. Laval, administrator of the archdiocese of New Orleans. The wedding was bitterly opposed by the aged bridegroom's family and as little publicity was given the ceremony as possible. Dr. Bullington is a man of great wealth and has been married twice before, both his former wives being aunts to his present bride who is a daughter of Mr. A. L. D. Conrad of Baton Rouge and a girl of great beauty. She is a grand niece of Charles Conrad who was secretary of the navy in the cabinet of President Fillmore.

CATHOLIC NEWS.

The magnificent new St. Peter's church was opened yesterday afternoon for the first time for the inspection of the parishioners and was visited by thousands who admired its splendid proportions and exquisite finish so far as completed.

At St. Peter's church on Wednesday forenoon next there will be a requiem mass celebrated for the repose of the soul of a former pastor of the church the late lamented Rev. Peter Crudden.

On Friday forenoon next at St. Peter's church, a requiem mass will be celebrated for the repose of the soul of the late John J. Mealey.

At 6 o'clock mass at the Sacred Heart church yesterday morning, the pastor, Rev. John P. Reynolds, O.M.I., was the celebrant. The children's mass at 8 o'clock and the high mass at 10.30 o'clock were celebrated by Rev. John McRory, O.M.I. At the former mass the pastor gave instructions and at the high mass he delivered a very eloquent discourse on "Serving God."

SUPERIOR COURT.

At the Superior court last week true bills were found against the following Lowell people, besides W. T. True and Edward D. Murphy.

Bartholomew J. Curlin and Catherine C. Buchanan, adultery.

Alfred Boudereau and Mary Hamel, adultery.

Phillip Peland and Julia Cheney adultery.

Charles A. Forbes, assault and battery.

Louis Perry, alias John Heroux, the alleged assailant of Dr. Holt on Kirk street, assault and battery.

George Butt, felonious assault.

George H. Maguire, breaking and entering and larceny.

Olaf Mattson, breaking and entering and larceny.

Joseph Prenaay, breaking and entering and larceny.

Thomas Duge, William F. Barr and Alfred K. Jeffrey, breaking and entering and larceny.

Joseph Riley, breaking and entering.

John T. Emmott, breaking and entering.

Wilfred Bourgeault, breaking and entering.

James F. Walsh, breaking and entering and larceny.

Richard Smith, breaking and entering and larceny.

P. Hildreth Parker, larceny and forgery.

Alexander H. Bailey, breaking and entering and larceny in Lowell and Waltham.

Fred Barrows and Clara B. Neal, adulterers.

Edward J. Cutting and Mary A. Cahill, adultery.

Peter Bushee and Maria Connolly, adultery.

Heber H. Saunders, felonious assault at Westford.

Frank J. Connolly, breaking and entering.

Christ Lampros, larceny.

In several other Lowell cases no bills were returned. The trial of cases will begin to-day.

INJURIES PROVED FATAL.

By Associated Press to The Sun.

NASHUA, N. H., Feb. 20.—Joseph Boury, who was struck by the 8.20 train from Worcester while driving in a sleigh on Chestnut street in this city Saturday, died from his injuries at 5 o'clock Saturday at the Emergency hospital. Mr. Boury who was 47, was a native of Plattsburg, N. Y., and had resided here for 30 years. For 18 years he was employed at the Nashua Manufacturing company's mills and for 12 years he had been a barber. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias. He is survived by a mother, a wife, a brother and six sisters.

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HAPPY COUPLES

Anniversary Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace

SILVER WEDDING OF MR. AND MRS. DOLE.

Both Observed at Highland Congregational Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel R. Wallace of Walker street on Saturday celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Appropriate exercises were held at the pretty homestead of the happy couple and all during the day congratulations by mail were received. A large number of neighbors and friends as well as the descendents of the celebrants were present at the home and many a kind wish for the future health and happiness of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace was expressed. In the evening, the happy couple in company with Mr. and Mrs. William T. Dole of Westford, who were observing their silver wedding, held a reception in the Highland Congregational church. Guests were received from 7 to 9 o'clock. A pretty arranged entertainment program which included a congratulatory address by the beloved pastor, Rev. C. L. Merriam was given after which refreshments were served and an informal convention of friends expressed their great happiness in having the honor to be present at such a notable event.

Mr. Daniel R. Wallace was born in Moultonville, New Hampshire, April 21, 1824. Coming to Lowell in 1847 he went to work in the Hoott Cotton mills where he remained for nearly 23 years the last ten of which he served as overseer. Since 1869 he has been identified with the life insurance business and since 1881 with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. In 1892 he identified himself with the Highland Congregational church and is the senior deacon of that society at the present time.

Feb. 18, 1849, he was married to Miss Almira Martin at North Andover. Mrs. Wallace was born at Livingston, Me., June 7, 1829, and came to North Andover during her childhood, where she resided until her marriage. Two children were the result of this union. Myra J., (Mrs. George L. Warren) born Aug. 20, 1852, of Boston, and Charles Sumner, born April 22, 1856, died Sept. 14, 1857 and was buried in this city.

Mrs. Wallace is also an active worker of the Highland Congregational church. Like her husband she is well preserved and enjoys good health. She is a woman of remarkable executive ability and foundation of character, also of a high spiritual character; she is probably one of the most influential women in the Highland Congregational church.

Mr. William T. Dole was born in this city in April, 1845. He attended the public schools of this city and for the past several years has been identified with the grocery business. He is at present in the employ of J. B. Puffer, corner of Branch and School streets. Mr. Dole is the junior deacon of the Highland Congregational church, being appointed this year, and is one of the founders of that church. He has always taken an active interest in the workings of the departments of the church and has a host of friends. Feb. 4, 1871, he was married to Miss Lydia A. Farmer, who is a native of Dracut. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. J. M. Greene, the couple being attendants of the Eliot church at that time. Five children have blessed the union, four of whom are now living, Edith M., Albert E., Foster H., and Wallace A.

Since their marriage, Mr. and Mrs. Dole have resided at 595 Westford street. During the early part of their married life the part of Westford street in which they live was in the town of Dracut.

No drugs or chemicals of any kind were found in the samples tested. We have no hesitation in recommending them."—H. L. Bowker, state assayer of Massachusetts. Mr. Bowker says this of the G. O. Taylor Old Bourbon and Pure Rye Whiskeys. He obtained the goods at the druggists' without special selection by the proprietors. C. H. Graves & Sons, Boston, Mass. Sold only in sealed bottles.

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HOW IT COMPARES WITH BOXING.

Saturday's Game at the Y. M. C. A.

Despite the miserable weather of Saturday evening a large and enthusiastic gathering which included many of the fair sex applauded and cheered themselves hoarse at the basket ball game of the Y.M.C.A.'s of Lowell and Lawrence which was held in the local Y.M.C.A. gym and which resulted in a severe trouncing for the Lowell boys. To describe the technicalities or scientific features of the game is beyond me as I am a stranger to the game but if you want impressions you may be accommodated.

In the first place basket ball is a coming game especially since boxing has been prohibited for if one is looking for excitement and trouble he can't afford to miss a basket ball game.

Basket ball as it is played differs from boxing in many respects. In boxing if you strangle, kick, wrestle, bite or in any other way disregard the rules the referee immediately calls a foul and you lose everything. In basket ball under similar circumstances, the referee may or may not call a foul. If he does, the other side is given an opportunity to throw a goal and score one additional point and the man who fouls goes ahead playing with a chance to foul again if he chooses.

Then in boxing, if a contestant is knocked out, the bout is concluded, the police called in and the clergyman given a topic of discussion while in basket ball a fresh man is substituted for the unfortunate and the game proceeds. In boxing, too, the two contestants whether tired or injured, must go to the end of the bout, but in basket ball when one man feels too tired to accomplish further effective work he is relegated to the dressing room and a fresh man is put in to do battle with an opponent who has been playing several minutes.

Finally in boxing, if a spectator is heard to cry out any such remarks as "Soak him Down" or "Get on to him, Harris" he is promptly and without ceremony ejected. In basket ball all such remarks are attributed to ungovernable enthusiasm and they are "stooed for" by the parties holding the game.

But basket ball, withal, is a scientific and most interesting game when properly played. It requires plenty of room however, and I believe, impartial referees and umpires.

The game Saturday night was played in close quarters and the Y.M.C.A. men of Lawrence caught the spectators by playing all around the Lowell boys. Tyson earned the favor of the audience by his clever work and they liked that of Kierstead. Harris came in on the second half and he played a good rough game. He doesn't intend to, they say, but he's a rough player, nevertheless. I notice I some of the Y.M.C.A. players sizing up Harris Saturday night and as they play the Y.M.C.A.'s tomorrow night it wouldn't be a bad place to invest 15 cents in an admission to the game.

During the game there was one long and one short wrangle, which seriously detracted from the pleasure of the game. These might have been avoided had the referee and umpire been disinterested parties. The final score was 9 to 2 in favor of Lawrence.

The line-up:

Lawrence.		Lowell.
Hamer, lf		rg Harris
Dionne rf		lg Kierstead (capt.)
Sands (capt.) c		c Wilson
Halloran lg		rf Muzzey
Frost rg		lf Frost

The summary:

First Half.

Goal 1—Sands, Lawrence, 4m.

Goal 2—Sands, Lawrence, 13m. 10 s.

Second Half.

Goal 3—McFarland, Lowell, 4 m. 20s.

Goal 4—Sands (on foul), Lawrence, 7m.

Goal 7—Hamer, Lawrence, 30s.

Score—Lawrence 9, Lowell 2. Goals—Scored by McFarland, Sands (2), Hamer: Points on fouls—Sands (3). Referees—Shaw of Lowell and Heskill of Lawrence. Timekeepers—Loughlin of Lowell and Fox of Lawrence. Time—20-minute halves.

THE BURKES LOST.

The Burkes were beaten at Milbury Saturday night by a score to 8 to 3.

There is some excuse for the defeat, however, as two of the Burkes' best players were injured and the second period of the game was played by them with only four men. The Burkes' team was shifted somewhat in its make-up. O'Neil playing center and Kelleher going to left guard. Healey was laid off during the first half. During the first half Neville was injured and could not play in the second half. Healey was therefore put in the game at center, O'Neil going to right guard. "Pete" Reagan had his ankle wrenched but was obliged to continue in the game as there was no other substitute on hand. He simply remained near the goal, doing his best to guard and was of course unable to get into any scrimmage. Kelleher played a good lively game and did more than was expected from him. The general play of the Burkes was good and the men made an earnest effort to win but were handicapped.

In the first half the Milbury team scored six points on baskets from the floor, while Lowell got one point, Reagan scoring on a foul. In the second half Reagan scored two points on fouls, and Milbury scored two points on a basket from the floor. The final score was 8—3. Reagan did all the Burkes' scoring.

Lineup and summary:

C. Y. M. L. A.	BURKES.
Crossman lf	lf Tierney
Wood rf	rf Reagan
Wiseman c	c O'Neil, Healey
Hehir rg	rg Neville, O'Neil
Williams lg	lg Kelleher

Score—C. Y. M. L. A., 8, Burkes, 3. Goals from floor—Hehir, Williams, Wiseman and Crossman. Goals from fouls—Reagan 3. Umpire and Referee McCarty for Lowell and Cronin for C. Y. M. L. A. Time of game—two 20-minute halves.

Y. M. C. A. JUNIORS.

The Lowell Y. M. C. A. junior team won the fifth consecutive victory by defeating the junior team of the Nashua Y. M. C. A. at the latter city, Saturday night. The visiting team had a complete walkover, defeating their opponents by a score of 56 to 6.

LOWELL.	NASHUA.
Pearson lf	lf Bell
Rafferty rf	rf Smith
Cleaves c	c Perrion
Wilinsky rg	rg Blackman
Gamble lg	lg Manseaux

Score—Lowell 26, Nashua 6. Goals from floor—Rafferty 3, Cleaves 2, Wilinsky 3, Pearson 2, Gamble 2, Smith, Perrion and Blackman. Umpire and referee—Bessie for Lowell and Crittenden for Nashua. Time of game—two 20-minute halves.

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CRISP GOSSIP.

Yesterday was the first Sunday in Lent.

The condition of the sidewalks on Saturday was simply horrible.

Here is one effect of the blizzard described by the Bennington writer in the Troy Times:

"The intense cold and vast regions of deep snow in the vicinity have driven the hawks from the woods to prey on the English sparrows that live in the village. Nothing stirs in the silent depths of the forest and the hawk can find no food there. It is not uncommon to see hawk wheeling in the air, the circles gradually growing smaller, when shooting in a direct line, and swiftly as an arrow sent from a bow he seizes a sparrow in his talons and bears it away, the little victim being frightened and uttering piteous cries. No one recollects ever having seen a hawk in the village before on such a mission.

Rubbers and overshoes have the call such weather as this.

Charles Lamb was born 124 years ago Saturday.

Officer Benson Munyan of Northampton and well known to many of the Lowell police severed his connection with the state district police force. He has been an efficient and honored officer but he has been in bad health for a long time and the state needed a man physically equal to the place. Mr. Munyan has had a long and interesting career as a detective and has been identified with many of the most important criminal cases in Hampshire and Franklin counties, which district was under his care. He worked very hard on the McCloud murder case at Shelburne Falls in 1897 and was obliged to give up work for several months.

There will be a lively race after the office, several applicants being already in the field. Deputy Sheriff Woods of Pittsfield is reported to have a strong backing. Deputy Sheriff E. C. Fowler of Orange is also mentioned as a fit man for the position.

Only eight more days of February remain.

The snow rapidly disappeared rapidly the past few days.

Weather phophets are now predicting rain and spring freshets.

Rubber boots will be in great demand if the thaw continues.

Street crossings are in very bad condition.

The following journalistic bouquet is from the Woburn Journal:

The Lowell Sun of February 11, contained an excellent portrait of "Waterman Brown, oldest railroad man in the country" followed by full two columns of biography of the venerable gateman of the most interesting character. It was an epitome of Mr. Brown's life, sketchy, powerful, and not exhaustive. The headines, in bold type, read: "Odd Character is Old Wat Brown of North Woburn. Oldest Railroad Man in the World. Still tending Crossing at Woburn." It was a good piece of newspaper work and complimentary to gateman Brown.

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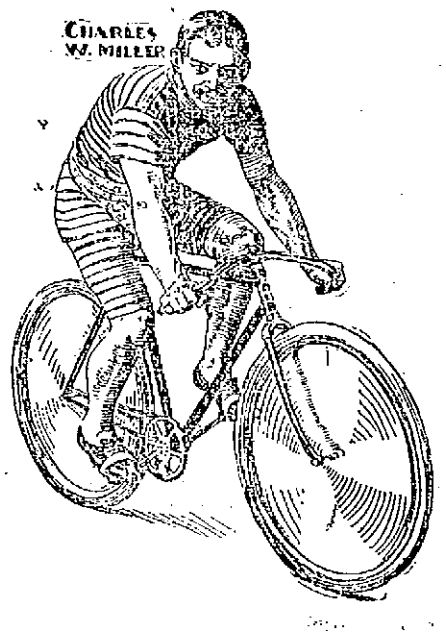

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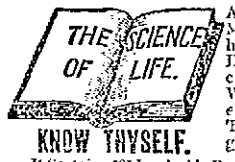

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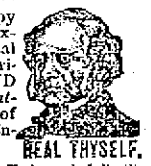

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